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Improved Elevator.

We illustrate herewith improved mechanism for elevators, in which will be found combined several novel devices tending to simplify the apparatus as well as to render the same strong and safe. Among the new features are the means for holding the platform should the hoisting rope break, the use of a single belt running in one direction to actuate the hoisting gear, an improved clutch, and a simple arrangement of an idler on the belt, in connection with a brake lever, which last, on the breaking of the belt, at once throws the brake into action, and so stops the machinery.

We also illustrate, in Fig. 2, the direct application of a steam engine to the hoisting gear, in cases, for example, where power cannot be obtained from some main source in the building. The engine is built by the same manufacturers, and is of neat and compact pattern, well adapted to this special purpose.

Referring to Fig. 1, it will be seen that the driving belt, A, is caused to lap over both pulleys, B and C, thereby rotating the same in contrary directions, and, through its application to a large pulley surface, communicating an increased amount of power without slipping. D is a bar pivoted to the center, and provided at each side of its pivot with clutches which engage with pulleys on the shafts of wheels, B and C. It is obvious that but one clutch can be thrown into action at a time, and this is done by the end of the bar, D, at E, being provided with a projection which enters a worm on a shaft, at the extremity of which is a pulley, F. Cords from this pulley are led down alongside the elevator carriage. By means of said cords the pulley, F, may be turned in one or the other direction, so moving correspondingly the end of bar, D, and thus throwing into action one or the other of the clutches. The latter are of novel construction, and consist essentially of cones which, on entering the pulleys, expand movable pieces which enter V shaped grooves and tightly bind. The effect of operating the clutches is, as will be obvious from the gearing represented, to transmit motion to the hoisting drum in one or the other direction, and so to hoist or lower the carriage. In order to hold the mechanism during the instant when, in shifting the clutches, both are thrown out of gear, a bell crank lever, connected with the end of the bar, D, is provided. This, when the bar is moved either way, pulls down the brake on the brake wheel, G. The same, of course, serves as the means for stopping the carriage at any desired point. Connected also with the brake is a long lever, I, which terminates in an idler which rests on the belt. Should the latter become ruptured, the lever falls, and its weight, applying the brake at once, prevents accident by arresting the motion of the mechanism. This arrangement obviates the necessity of the governor usually provided.

An inspection of the standards in which the platform travels will show that the rack, ordinarily placed on the inner sides, with which pawls engage, and so prevent the fall of the platform in event of the breakage of the hoisting rope is here done away with. The safety mechanism substituted is much simpler, and, at the same time, cheaper. It is shown in the broken away portion of the upper crossbar of the platform, and consists of a reversed T-shaped piece of iron, the vertical portion of which passes through the bar and serves as a point of attachment of the hoisting rope. The horizontal part of the T underneath connects with a leaf spring, and this with a toothed pivoted eccentric. When a strain is on the T piece, the spring is held out of action; but on the breakage of the rope the T piece falls, the spring is thrown outward, and the cam turned so that its widest portion becomes jammed, and the teeth bite in the wood of the standard, thus holding the carriage securely. The same arrangement is on each side of the crossbar, which is also steadied and held in place by the guide rollers shown at J.

The mechanism generally is of excellent construction, and, judging from practical trials which we have witnessed, appears to show that the claims of its manufacturers are fully substantiated.

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The Darien Rubber Industry.

At the present day the use of India rubber has become so extensive that there is hardly a trade in the country in which it is not employed in some form, or to which it does not in some way contribute. The Panama Star in an article upon the subject of the industry in Darien says: The Darien Indians, unlike those who inhabited the margins of the Amazon, seemed to have remained totally ignorant of the value of the milk of the rubber tree itself. In the beginning of the year 1860 small quantities had been sent to Cartagena, extracted on the banks of the Atrato. In tracing out the source of this rubber, and from conversations with the Indians who collected it, the observing mind of

Mr. Recuero, now of Panama, led him to infer that an exploration on the Pacific coast might lead to the discovery of forests more abounding in caoutchouc yielding trees. Mr. Recuero did not hesitate to put his idea into practice, crossed the Isthmus, and landed at Darien in the latter part of 1860. He found the Indians of the Paya and Tapalza accustomed to trade with civilized people, exchanging cocoa, pigs, plantains, &c., for the goods that they desired to obtain. The peaceable disposition of these tribes was cultivated and strengthened by trade and good treatment. The collection of rubber, when first suggested to them, failed to fix their attention, because the other products they had to offer for exchange satisfied their ambition and sup-

as possible up into the interior this industry, naturally came in contact with the Chucunaques, who have been at all times suspicious and hostile, and more inclined to fight than to trade. The Chucunaques may be said to form the only tribe that has repelled the advances of civilized life, as well as the friendship of the Payas and Tapalzas. They have resolutely opposed all idea of a canal through their territory, and the assassination of Messrs. Polanco and Castilla in 1853 was their work. In 1869 some Indians descended the Chucurto and pretended to be the friends of Francisco Rojas, who at that time headed a party of caoutchouc collectors, and of their own accord said he might collect along the banks of the

Now, in the case of steel rails, it is claimed that all the trials proved that the table of the rail wears uniformly, at the rate of one millimeter for every twenty million tons passing over it; and as the rails are got out with a view to their losing ten millimeters by wear, it can of course be estimated that they will endure a traffic of at least two hundred million tons—that is to say, that the endurance of the steel rails is more than ten times that of the iron. This being the case, it is claimed that the substitution of steel rails for those of iron effects a great reduction in the cost of maintenance, at the same time that it insures a more even strength to the permanent way, and increases, in a high degree, the safety of work-

a force pump A, an auxiliary pump B, and a weight C, or its equivalent.

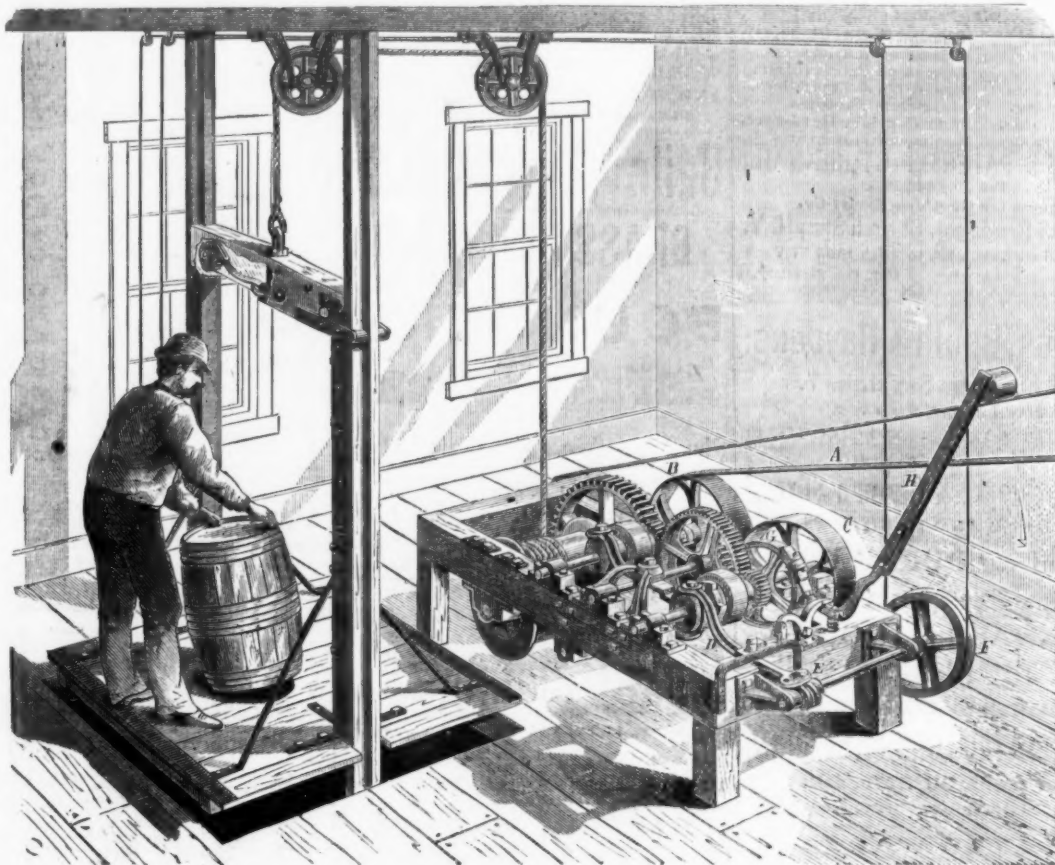
The pump A has one portion of the cylinder larger than the other, and contains one large and one small piston, respectively D and E. These pistons are connected by the rods c c. Two valves a and b, are secured to the rod F.

This pump can also be connected directly to a steam cylinder, vertically or horizontally, and used as a steam pump.

The auxiliary pump B has one portion of the cylinder larger than the other to correspond with the force pump A. Two pistons, d and e, are connected to the piston rod G, which latter extends through the cap f.

There is a safety valve g, held up by a spring which opens when it meets with the cap f, and relieves the pressure in case the piston d should rise too high. The waste water escapes through the port h. This safety or regulating valve may be arranged in the communicating pipe at any suitable point, controlled as in the case shown by the extended stroke of the piston d. The piston e contains a valve i. Below the piston e is the supply pipe j, which has a valve k. In the center of the cylinder, and between the two pistons, is a port l, which connects with the supply pipe of the force pump A.

The weight C is an annular vessel, and surrounds the upper part of the auxiliary pump B. This cylinder is made of sheet metal; is closed below and open above. It has two cross pieces, m m, around which are two loose rings n n. To the upper end of the piston rod G is secured the cross piece o, which supports the weight C by means of the ring n n. The pump rests on a plank or foundation p. There is a rest q for the weight C when down. Instead of the piston d and valve g, a piston and valve, as in Fig. 3, can be used. The stem of the valve passes through the pipe h, and a check S is arranged on the cap f, against which the stem will strike and open the valve in case the piston should rise too high, and the waste water will escape through the pipe h, and thence out at the pipes t t. The weight C has holes at the upper end, through which the pipes t t pass to support it. This vessel can also be made without the annular form, and placed above the cylinder to rest on the cross bar or its equivalent. The operation is as follows: The pump is filled either by pouring water into the pump A, or by pumping water into it, by raising and depressing the piston rod G of the pump B. When both pumps and pipe are filled with water, gravel or other material is put into the cylinder C until it balances the water in the pipe l. This done, the pump is ready for use. In the downward motion of the rod F in the force pump, the valve b meets the piston E, and closing it, the water below is forced down the pipe l and into the pump B, between the two pistons. The area of the piston d being greater than that of the piston e, the former will rise by hydraulic pressure, and carry with it the latter e, which, by atmospheric pressure, draws water through the pipe j. In the upward motion of the rod F the valve a meets with the piston D, and closes it, while the valve b opens to let the water through and fill the vacuum formed by the piston D, as it rises, and the water above the piston is discharged through a pipe or nozzle. Thus the upward motion of the piston D takes the atmos-



HOLSKE'S ELEVATOR—Fig. 1.

plied their wants. It happened, however, that while the Paya Indians had large cocoa plantations, the Tapalzas had almost nothing and were *Indios pobres*. This circumstance had a favorable effect on promoting the views of the caoutchouc merchants. The Tapalzas, seeing that in the caoutchouc tree they had a product that would give them and their women

river of their tribe. Believing in what they said, Mr. Rojas extended his operations into the forest in that direction only to find himself and party attacked, resulting in the death of some of his laborers. From all this it is easy to be seen how the Chucunaques and Chucurto have never entered into friendly relations with the caucheros.

ing—which considerations, of course, are of paramount importance.

Knecht's Compound Pump.

This pump, called by its inventor an Independent Compound Pump, is intended to raise water where the ordinary suction pump is not

available, or in situations where it is inconvenient to apply the power within 28 or 30 feet of the surface of the water. It is frequently needed to carry water a long distance horizontally, giving, say, 40 or 50 feet of rise to the pipe. In such cases it is impossible to locate the pump at the upper end of the pipe, because the pressure of the air will not lift the water to the desired elevation; the only recourse is to place the pump at the other end of the pipe and within a proper distance of the water. This is inconvenient for many reasons, especially because a cistern must be built, and considerable pumping done at a time. In large buildings, the pump has generally to be located low down, so as to be within 30 feet of the water level. This invention locates a cylinder and balance weight near the water, but applies the power at any desirable point of the pipe, even at the extreme upper end. As an example of what the pump can do, we may mention a case where a hand pump lifts a 2½ inch column of water more than 50 feet high, the horizontal distance being about 1500 or 2000 feet. F. Brandstaetter, Ilchester, Howard county, Md., has control of the invention, we understand.

The following is a description of the pump and its method of operation: Figs. 1 and 2 are vertical sections of the pump. Fig. 3 is a modification of the piston d and valve g of Fig. 2. Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The pump consists of three principal parts,

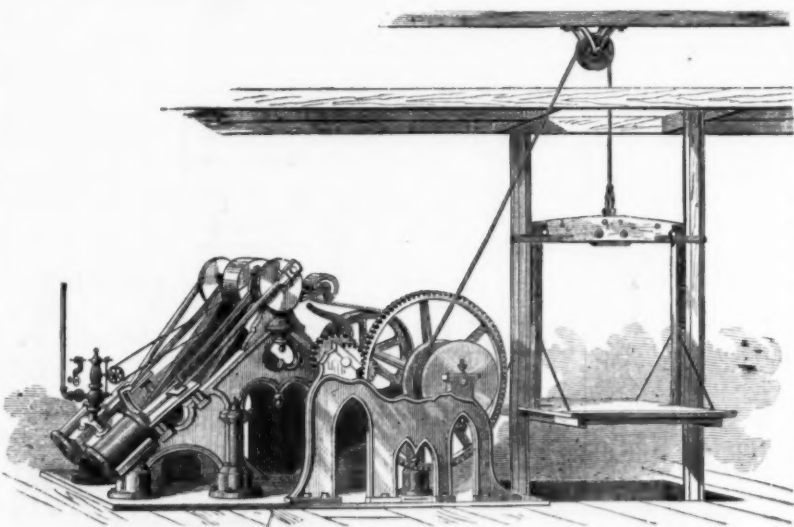
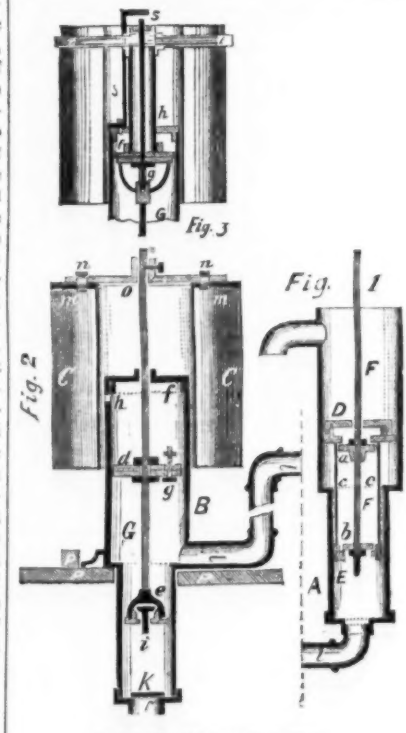


Fig. 2.

Wear of Steel Rails.—A French journal, referring to the preference now so extensively given to steel rails, thinks that the chief advantage which results from their use, as compared with those of iron, is that the wear caused by friction is even, being parallel with the length, and takes place slowly, whereas the best iron rails deteriorate under the influence of the traffic, and are found to be for the most part unfit for use before they have lost any appreciable portion of their weight by even wear.

In this connection, allusion is made to the experiments instituted by the great Northern Railway Company on iron rails from all sources, and which have demonstrated that the best samples, upon their system, have not withstood a traffic of more than twenty million tons, and that for those of ordinary quality this figure does not exceed fourteen millions.



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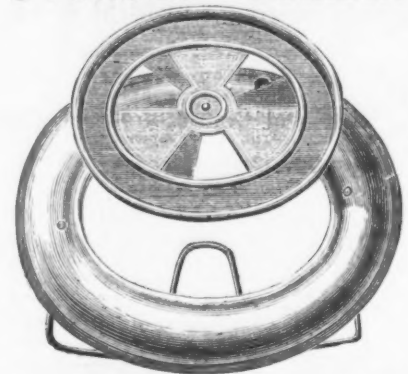


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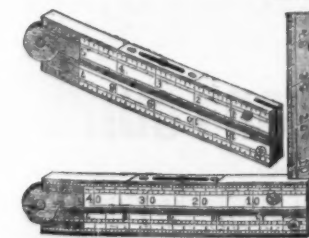
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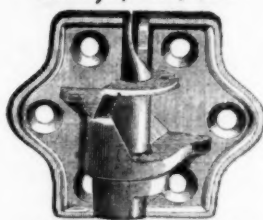
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The German Iron and Steel Trade.

With reference to the petition praying for protective duties on iron and steel manufactures which was sent to the German Emperor in May, by "the manufacturers of Berg and Mark," we learn from the *Allgemeine Zeitung* that a counter petition, which declares that customs duties are not needed for the protection of the trade in German iron and steel manufactures for retail, is being circulated amongst those interested, and has already received 1350 signatures. The two chief points in the petition are—that protective duties will enhance the cost of the raw material of which articles for retail are made, and thus tend to hamper the export trade in these goods; and that the adoption by Germany of protective duties on iron and steel would result in similar measures on the part of foreign iron producing countries, which would have the effect of shutting out German goods from these markets. The petition urges further that diplomacy should exert itself to the utmost to induce foreign powers, notably France, Belgium, Austria and the United States, to adopt free trade principles, so far at least as Germany is concerned, and suggests that the effectual way to attain this end will be, not by imposing protective duties on iron goods, but by threatening to levy heavy export dues on the chief articles sent to those countries, as, for instance, in the case of Austria and France on wine and other articles. The experiment would be an interesting one, but we think they had better not try it. We can do without French and German wines better than we can dispense with our customs revenue.

The Progress of the Pig Iron Manufacture.

Mr. Richard Meade, of the Museum of Practical Geology, contributes an interesting article on the iron industries of Shropshire to the *Mining Journal*, from which we make the following extracts: When in the beginning of the last century the exhaustion of our forests and woodlands was imminent, occasioned by the demand for the necessary charcoal fuel to sustain these industries, attention was directed to the useful application of coal in the blast furnace; the difficulties, however, were considerable, and it was not until Mr. Abraham Darby, at the Coalbrookdale Works, between the years 1730 and 1735, successfully solved the problem, that the use of coal previously coked came into use in the reduction of the ores of iron in the blast furnace. A most interesting chapter might be written if space allowed recording the many facts connected with the Coalbrookdale Works and the influence the discoveries there made have exercised on the iron industries of Great Britain. It may, however, be mentioned generally that it was also at these works that Mr. Abraham Darby's father had previously introduced the art of casting iron, and that at a later period the first iron bridge constructed in this country was successfully carried out, and is that which at the present time spans the river Severn at the thriving town of Ironbridge. Darby having, in the year 1735, succeeded in making pig iron of coke, experienced a new difficulty, that of securing blast of sufficient pressure to insure the complete utilization and combustion of the hard, dense coke in the furnace, and it was not until a quarter of a century later that his difficulty was overcome by the introduction of powerful blowing machinery, in which Smeaton led the way, followed by Watt and others. With these introductory remarks, the next point for consideration is the production of pig iron, and the earliest return published shows the following quantities for the year 1740, when it will be seen that Shropshire, as an iron producing district, ranked second in importance in England and Wales, and yielded 12 per cent. of the iron made:

Counties.	No. of furnaces.	Pig iron. Tons.
Breconshire.....	2	600
Cirencester.....	3	1,700
Gloucestershire.....	1	100
Derbyshire.....	2	550
Glamorganshire.....	2	400
Gloucestershire.....	4	840
Hampshire.....	3	1,350
Hertfordshire.....	6	2,850
Kent.....	1	300
Monmouthshire.....	2	500
Montgomeryshire.....	4	400
Nottinghamshire.....	1	200
Shropshire.....	6	2,100
Staffordshire.....	2	1,000
Sussex.....	10	1,400
Warwickshire.....	2	700
Worcestershire.....	2	1,400
Yorkshire.....	6	1,400
Total.....	59	17,350

The average make of the above furnaces at this period was, therefore, 294 tons of pig iron, coke being principally employed, except in the case of the Kent and Sussex furnaces, where there is every reason to infer that charcoal was still in use. In the year 1754 the works at Horsehay were established by Mr. Abraham Darby, of Coalbrookdale, previously referred to, and the first furnace put in blast two years later; it is recorded that from 20 to 22 tons of coke pig iron was made weekly, and such was its superior quality that it met with a ready sale. Until the year 1789 details are wanting to show the production; for this year, however, a well authenticated return was published, showing the make of charcoal and coke pig iron, the details of which will be found in our notice of the iron industries of Derbyshire. The total make of England and Wales is given below, with that made in Shropshire for comparison, and from which it will be seen that in 1788 Shropshire still continued a large producer of pig iron to the extent of 40 per cent. of the aggregate make of England and Wales:

	Charcoal pig iron. Tons.	Coke pig iron. Tons.	Furnaces. Tons.
England and Wales.....	24	13,100	53
Shropshire.....	3	1,800	21

Toward the close of the year 1800 a committee of the House of Commons was appointed to inquire into the condition of the coal trade, and in a letter addressed to the chairman, William Manning, Esq., M. P., by Dr. H. G. Macnab,

who represented the iron trade, are found very valuable statistics, showing the make of pig iron in Great Britain in the year 1796, when the production of Shropshire was as follows, that of Great Britain being 129,079 tons:

Works.	No. of furnaces.	Pig iron made. Tons.	Average make per furnace. Tons.
Bentham.....	1	1,324	1,324
Brosley.....	1	1,175	1,175
Coalbrookdale.....	3	2,629	876
Donnington Wood.....	2	3,321	1,660
Horsehay.....	1	1,154	1,154
Jackfield.....	2	1,840	920
Ketley.....	3	5,693	1,898
Lightmoor.....	3	3,108	1,036
Madeley Wood.....	1	1,256	1,256
Old Park.....	3	5,952	1,984
Sneadhill.....	2	3,367	1,684
Wiley.....	1	1,574	1,574
Total.....	21	32,966	1,570

Thus, while in the year 1740 the average make per furnace was 294 tons, the above table shows that in the year 1796 the average had increased to 1433 tons, from which it will be seen that the furnaces will have been reconstructed, and their capacity greatly increased. A period of 10 years intervene, during which many new furnaces were built and new works established, and in 1806 the following statement shows the condition of things, when 42 furnaces were built, of which 30 were in blast, making 54,966 tons of pig iron, giving an average make of 1832 tons per furnace:

Works.	Furnaces. Built.	In blast.	Make of pig iron. Tons.
Barnets Leasow.....	2	1	574
Bentham.....	1	1	1,294
Bilingsley.....	2	0	—
Brosley.....	1	1	1,450
Calcott.....	5	1	2,269
Clee Hill.....	1	1	303
Coalbrookdale.....	2	1	2,962
Cornbrook.....	1	1	292
Donnington Wood.....	3	2	3,400
Horsehay.....	2	2	3,334
Lightmoor.....	3	3	3,601
Ketley.....	4	3	7,510
Madeley Wood.....	2	2	2,951
New Hadley.....	2	2	5,612
Old Park.....	4	4	8,359
Queenswood.....	1	1	2,405
Sneadhill.....	3	2	3,950
Wiley.....	1	0	—
Wrockardine.....	2	2	4,000
Total.....	42	30	54,966

The total quantity of pig iron made at this period by the 161 furnaces in blast amounted to 243,851 tons, appointed to Great Britain as follows:

	Furnaces. In.	Out.	Total.	Pig iron. Tons.
England.....	115	35	150	149,163
North Wales.....	3	1	4	2,981
South Wales.....	35	10	45	68,867
Scotland.....	18	9	27	22,840
Total.....	161	55	216	243,851

Shropshire at this period continued upward of 20 per cent. of the iron produced in the kingdom, while the average make of the blast-furnaces had increased from 1433 tons in the year 1796 to 1832 tons in 1806. Advancing to the years 1823 and 1830, when Mr. F. Fine, prepared a statement for the government of the pig iron made in those years in Great Britain, we find the following quantities recorded:

Counties.	1823. Tons.	1830. Tons.
Northumberland and Durham.....	2,379	5,327
Yorkshire.....	27,311	28,926
Derbyshire.....	14,938	17,969
Shropshire.....	57,132	23,418
Staffordshire.....	133,590	282,644
South Wales.....	182,325	277,643
North Wales.....	13,100	25,000
Scotland.....	24,500	57,500
Total.....	454,866	678,417

These figures show an increase since the year 1823 of 223,651 tons, being upward of 50 per cent., while the increase in the Shropshire district amounted to 15,435 tons, or 36 per cent. The statement following shows in detail the result of Mr. Fine's inquiry in each of the years named for the Shropshire works:

	1823. No. of furnaces.	Pig iron made. Tons.	1830. No. of furnaces.	Pig iron made. Tons.
Brosley.....	2	2,755	2	1,316
Barnet Leasow.....	2	—	2	—
Bentham.....	1	—	1	—
Calcott's.....	2	1,833	2	—
Coalbrookdale.....	2	—	2	—
Dawley Castle.....	2	4,925	2	4,312
Donnington.....	3	8,014	5	15,110
Horsehay.....	2	4,854	3	6,233
Hadley.....	2	2,080	2	—
Ketley.....	3	4,984	3	5,763
Lightmoor.....	3	6,032	3	6,194
Madeley Wood.....	2	2,175	3	3,171
Old Park.....	4	6,300	4	15,300
Sneadhill.....	2	2,786	2	317
Wombridge.....	2	5,084	3	7,134
Wrockardine.....	2	5,121	2	—
Stitchley.....	—	—	4†	3,073
L. wley.....	—	—	3	4,325
Langley.....	—	—	—	—
Total.....	38	57,923	48	73,418

The hot blast, the invention of Mr. James B. Neilson, in the year 1828, exercised an important influence in the increased production of iron, more especially in Scotland; later the system was adopted in the furnaces of England and Wales, though but partially in some districts, as for example the West Riding of Yorkshire, North Staffordshire, South Wales and this district, where many of the works still employ cold blast, producing iron of a superior quality, which is in great request in the malleable works of the county. The next account of production to which attention is directed is for the year 1839, when there were 29 furnaces in blast in Shropshire, producing 80,940 tons, giving an average of 2791 tons per furnace, the make of Great Britain the same year being 1,248,781 tons, showing an increase since 1830 of 570,364 tons of pig iron. Again, in 1840, Shropshire had 24 furnaces in blast, producing 82,750 tons of pig iron, and in 1843 a falling off is observed to the extent of 6550 tons, the make of pig iron in that year being returned as 75,200 tons. This falling off in the production of pig iron was general in all the districts of Great Britain, and was due to the great depression of trade, which lasted from about 1840 to 1845; from 1845 the iron industries of Great Britain bounded forward at a rapid pace, which has been generally well maintained since that year to meet the many commercial requirements in which iron is now so universally employed.

* Two furnaces were built at Donnington in the year 1828, in the place of the two at Wrockardine, which were blown out.
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New Patents.

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in Washington the following specifications of
certain patents lately issued, which will be
found interesting:

IMPROVEMENT IN PROCESSES AND FURNACES FOR
MANUFACTURING IRON.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent
No. 165,375, dated July 6, 1875, issued to Geo.
J. Shimer and Samuel J. Shimer, of Milton,
Pennsylvania.

The accompanying drawing is a longitudinal
vertical section.

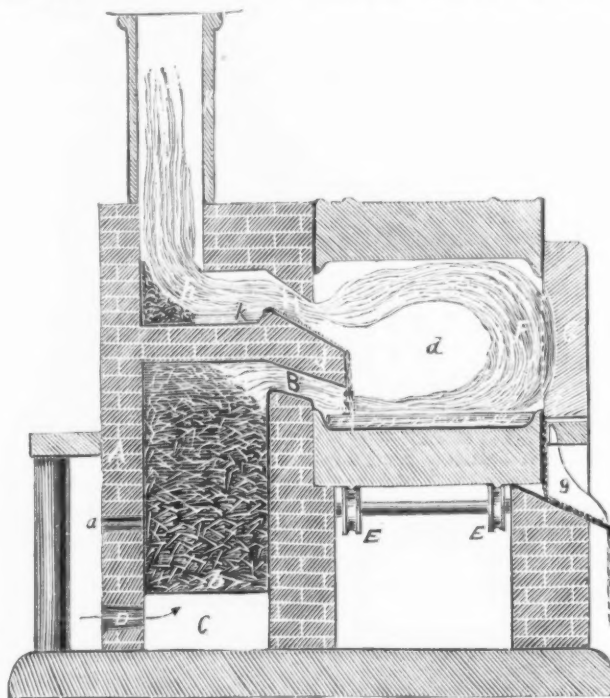
There are only two substances known to us
that will deoxidize the oxide of iron—viz., car-
bon and hydrogen, in a highly heated condi-
tion. Carbon has been the agent used in prac-
tice almost exclusively, as it was the most
readily obtained, and less chemical skill was
required for its application; but the objection
to its use for the manufacture of wrought or
refined iron is that it combines with the iron,
forming a carburet, which, in turn, must be
reduced to form the refined metal, thus neces-
sitating a second operation, and a consequent
expense, beside deteriorating the original good
qualities of the iron in ore, as every reheating,
where the iron comes in close contact with the
fuel results in the absorption of more of those
impurities so hard to get rid of, and, in many
cases, very detrimental, such as sulphur, phos-
phorus, silica, manganese, magnesia, etc.

We have in hydrogen a reducing agent that
will give the desired result, by reducing the ore
without combining with the metal.

where the same escapes the rotary chamber,
d, are within a space equal to the circular
opening of the smaller end of chamber d, and
the wall of the heating furnace at that place
is so arranged that a brick of plumbago, J, or
other refractory substance, may easily be in-
serted between the openings. The brick J is
so constructed and inserted as to overhang
the end of rotary chamber d, forming a drip
to chamber h, and also give a downward cur-
rent to the blast entering rotary chamber at
B. The chamber h is built by continuing the
walls of the heating furnace above its arch,
and arching same over at the upper end of
chamber h, where are feeders or chutes i,
for the supply of ore. These feeders are to
be kept full, and can be increased in number.

The chamber h is extended to utilize (for
melting) all the heat prior to its passage up
the stack K. At k, in chamber h, is an open-
ing provided with a door (not shown), for the
purpose of treating the molten oxide of iron
with limestone or other neutralizing substance,
should the same be necessary. The bottom
of chamber h is made several inches lower
than the inclined opening H, by which the
blast enters, and the molten oxide of iron con-
tained in chamber h is thus at all times several
inches deep.

The various qualities of ore exposed to blast
may thus the more readily be mixed together
to produce an iron with different qualities.
The operator can also at will give draft of air
to blast at opening k, which, combining with
the superabundance of hydrogen yet uncon-
sumed, increases the heat of the blast for the



IMPROVED REDUCING FURNACE.

In the English patent of Gurli, No. 1679, of
1856, a process of reducing iron ore by means
of hydrogen gas is described. But, previous
to the action of the gas upon the ore, a portion
of atmospheric air was allowed to combine
with it, thus reducing the deoxidizing power
of the hydrogen gases, and proportionately
lessening their effectiveness, without a corre-
sponding economic gain or advantage in the de-
gree of heat. The reduction was carried on at
a temperature below the melting point of the
ore; consequently a second operation was
necessary for the purpose of ridding the metal
of foreign substances.

In this invention molten ore is acted on by
a blast of highly heated hydrogen gas, and
the same blast, combined with atmospheric
air, is caused to melt the ore preparatory to
such action. The blast is produced from bi-
tuminous coal, and the whole operation is car-
ried on at a temperature above the welding
heat of iron.

The invention also relates to a certain con-
struction of furnace for economic application
of the process, all as hereinafter described.

A represents heating furnace, being a cham-
ber lined with refractory material and arched
over. Immediately below the arch are open-
ings, or inclined chutes a, for the supply of
coal, and at the sides are openings a', for the
purpose of poking the fire. On the one side
is a lengthy opening B, for the escape of blast,
the grate b forming the bottom to chamber A,
and below this is ash pit C, which will, in
practice, be provided with a suitable opening,
through which the fire may be raked and the
ashes removed. The blast pipe D is in one of
the walls below the grate, and against the
side with the opening B for the heated blast,
is arranged a rotary chamber d, constructed
of iron, cylindrical in form, with openings at
each end, and lined with refractory substances.
The latter are so arranged as to hold a certain
amount of molten material, being deeper im-
mediately inside the openings, and mounted
upon grooved wheels E E E E, that, by the
tracks, guide the cylinder in its rotary motion.
This motion is communicated by means of the
grooved wheels E E E E, the same being fast-
ened to shafts connected with the motive
power. The cylinder d being on a level with
inside lining, the opening F is the largest, so
that the waste flux will escape by means of
drip f on door G, and down drip g. The door
G is used for the removal of the iron, and is
closed when the furnace is operated. The blast
enters from heating furnace A through open-
ing B below the axial line of rotary chamber
d, and passes along lower part of same, recoils,
and passes back along the upper part and out
through opening H. The latter is inclined
upward, leading into chamber h. The opening
B, where blast enters, and the opening H,

purpose of smelting the ore more rapidly, if
required, or for burning off sulphur.

This apparatus being for the purpose, first,
to generate a deoxidized blast, and, next,
to expose to its action the greatest amount of
oxide of iron, need not necessarily be built as
represented; but may be in any form where-
with the operator can expose to the action of a de-
oxidized blast the greater amount of molten
oxide of iron.

Having described the apparatus, its action
is, first, to produce a deoxidized blast by
means of the heating furnace A, wherein a
fire is kindled and bituminous coal is applied,
or part bituminous and part anthracite coal,
until the same is filled, including the open-
ings.

When the furnace is operated, the ash pit
opening is closed, as also apertures a', with
balls of clay, and are only opened to renew or
enliven the fire, as the same becomes compact.
The openings a are kept full of coal, and the
fire is self-feeding as the consumed coal sinks
away. The blast, by means of pipe D, is so
regulated in force as to effect the decomposi-
tion of all its oxygen in its passage through
the whiter or superheated coals, the blast act-
ing upon the continually fresh supply of coal
on top of fire, and expelling a portion of its
hydrogen gases. Thus we have a highly
heated blast composed of carbonic oxide, car-
bureted hydrogen and hydrogen gases, which,
passing through the aperture B below the in-
serted brick J, forces the blast in a downward
current, which passes through the drippings
of the molten iron ore from chamber h, and
over the molten mass of nearly reduced iron,
refined iron, and flux contained in rotary cham-
ber d to the back end of same. This blast then
recoils and passes along upper lining, and
through the inclined opening H, thus present-
ing to the action of a deoxidized blast the
molten oxide of iron as it passes down inclined
chamber H.

This molten oxide comes against the current
of blast, and, dripping through, it is deprived
of its oxygen by the superabundance of hydro-
gen contained in blast. The oxygen unites
with the hydrogen, producing heat, and such
particles as may not be reduced sink through
the flux to the lining of rotary chamber d,
where they are brought up by its rotary mo-
tion, and exposed to the action of blast along
said lining.

At opening k, in chamber h, a fresh supply
of oxygen may be introduced to consume the
undecomposed hydrogen yet in blast, and in-
crease the heat, and utilize all the fuel, which
cannot be stunted in heating or deoxidizing
chamber A.

Should the smelting proceed too rapidly, the
opening k is closed, and the deoxidation is
commenced and partially effected in chamber h.

As the oxide of iron becomes deoxidized in
its passage down the inclined chamber H, and
its fall through current of blast to lower side
of chamber d, it becomes of a different nature,
having adhesive qualities, while the concussion
of its fall (striking against lower side of the
rotary chamber d) expels all the flux and for-
eign sandy matter. The refined iron forms and
adheres to a mass or ball as rapidly and as
evenly as the same is produced. Thus, in con-
sequence of the small particles of reduced iron
added to the ever-changing surface of the ball
or mass, caused by the motion of the rotary
chamber, the weight of iron formed acts upon
the addition of each layer as the same revolves
on bottom of chamber, picking up such par-
ticles as may have become reduced from the
flux on the sides of chamber. The flux is ex-
pelled by the weight of the mass.

There is thus produced a pure mass of iron
ready for the rolls upon its removal from the
chamber d, to be finished for market without
reheating or reworking.

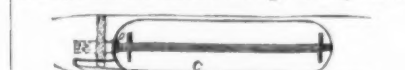
In patent No. 92,894 a blast from which air is
excluded has been described. The action of a
blast from which air is excluded is not, there-
fore, broadly claimed, nor the use of the spent
gases for roasting or desulphurizing the ore,
as the invention herein described is based in
part upon melting the ore before deoxidizing
it. In the process carbonization is prevented,
and an important advantage is obtained in rapid
and economic production of iron.

Claim.—1. The process of reducing iron ore
to wrought iron in one operation, consisting,
first, in subjecting the ore in a liquid or molten
condition to the deoxidizing influence of a
blast containing hydrogen or carbureted hydro-
gen gases, and secondly, in melting the ore by
the subsequent action of the same blast admixed
with atmospheric air, as described.

2. In a metallurgical furnace, the combination
of the heating furnace A, the forming chamber
d, inclined passage H, and smelting chamber h,
the latter having a floor cavity or depression
from which the molten ore overflows and passes
down the contiguous incline to chamber d, be-
ing thus subjected to the action of the blast in
the desired manner, all as shown and described,
to produce the result specified.

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To Charles E. Billings, Hartford, Conn.—A
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and the tension spring C, the several parts be-
ing constructed and relatively arranged as
shown and described, whereby the screw which
adjusts the tension of the tension spring holds
the yielding socket in place.

BAND SAWING MACHINE.

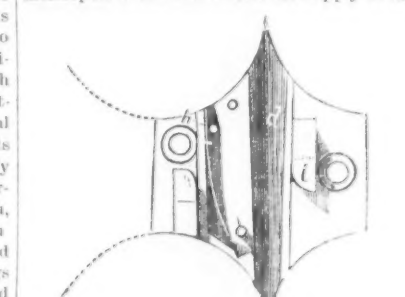
To B. D. Whitney, Winchester, Mass.—The
axles of the wheels upon
which the saw runs are pro-
vided with removable bear-
ings placed in front of the
saw.

1. The yoke C, having
bearings on both sides of
the wheel E, in combination
with the adjusting and com-
pensating device, consisting
of the slide D and the lever
L, with its sliding weight
W, the fulcrum of said lever
being directly in the plane
of the strain of the saw.

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the interceptor to fall and cut off the supply to the



conductor, when the locking bar is turned, the
front plate taken off, and the nails removed.

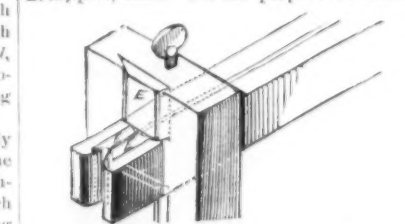
1. A conductor for nail rolling machines, con-
sisting of the back plate and the removable
front plate and locking bar.

2. In a conductor for nail rolling machines,
the removable front plate and the movable chan-
nel piece and finger projecting therefrom.

3. The combination of the back plate c, and
the movable spring operated channel piece and
its finger with the front plate and the notched
holding pin n.

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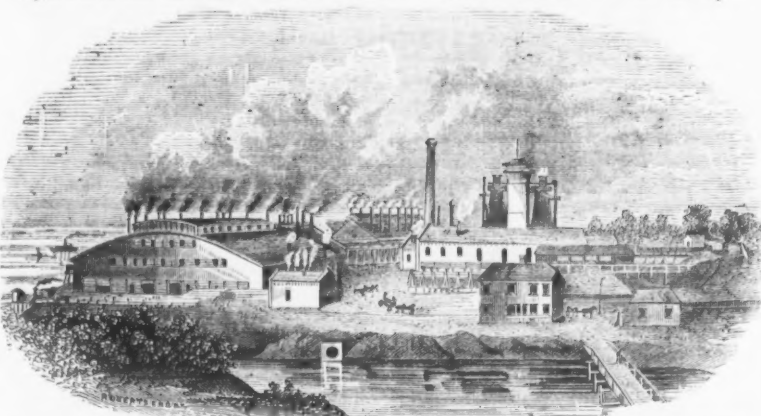
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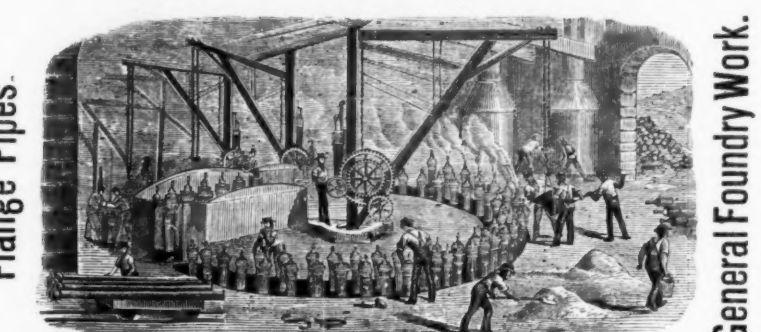
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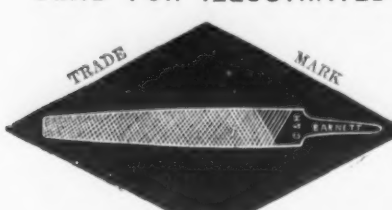


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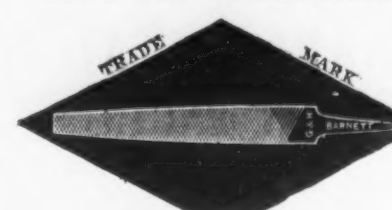


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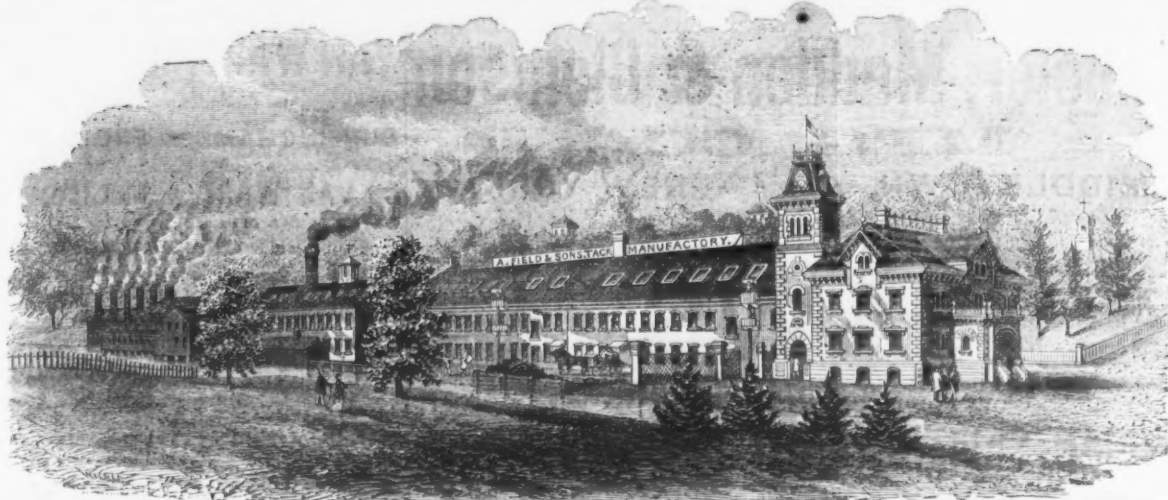
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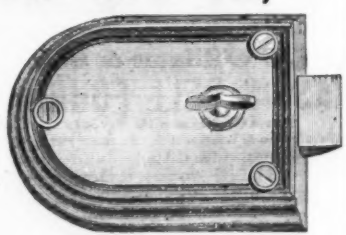
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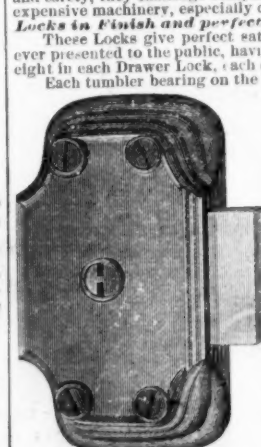
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Prices of Metals.

BY H. C. BOLTON, P. H. D.

A paragraph bearing the above title has of late circulated extensively among scientific and pseudo scientific papers, the origin of which we have been unable to trace. The paragraph referred to gives the price per pound avoirdupois of 28 metals, beginning with Indium, which is valued at \$2520 per pound, followed by vanadium, ruthenium, etc., and terminating, of course, with iron. As it has reached us no authorities for the prices are given, nor is any statement made as to the sources of the information communicated.

The table abounds in gross errors, which has induced me to recalculate the prices, and at the same time to extend the list. Of course, the prices vary considerably according to the dealer and the country, whether Europe or America. The prices of many of the dearest may be considered also as "fancy prices," and actually a whole pound of some of the metals named could hardly be obtained at even the extravagant figures annexed. In compiling the following table we have taken the prices of the rarer metals from Trommsdorff's and Schuchardt's last price lists; we have assumed the avoirdupois pound as equal to 453 grammes, and the mark as equal to 24 cents, gold.

An inspection of the table is not without interest; it is evident that the prices of the metals bear no relation to the rarity of the bodies whence they may be derived, for calcium, the third in the list, is one of the most abundant elements. Even that excessively sparingly distributed metal, indium, the most recently discovered element, stands tenth in the list, below strontium. The metals of the alkalies seem to occupy a remarkably low place in the table.

S. and T. annexed to the price per gramme stands for Schuchardt and Trommsdorff respectively, and indicate the source of the data:

Metal.	State.	Value in gold per lb. in Am.	Value in gold per lb. in Eu.
Vanadium.....	Cryst. fused.....	\$4722.40	\$1070 S.
Rubidium.....	Wire.....	3261.60	720 S.
Calcium.....	Electrolytic.....	2416.20	540 S.
Tantalum.....	Pure.....	2416.20	540 S.
Cerium.....	Fused globules.....	2416.20	540 S.
Lithium.....	Globules.....	2224.76	492 S.
Lithium.....	Wire.....	2224.76	492 S.
Erbium.....	Fused.....	1671.57	393 S.
Yttrium.....	Pure.....	1620.08	361 S.
Strontium.....	Electrolytic.....	1576.41	348 S.
Indium.....	Pure.....	1522.08	336 S.
Ruthenium.....	Fused.....	1394.64	288 S.
Columbium.....	Fused.....	1320.28	276 S.
Rhodium.....	Electrolytic.....	1032.84	228 S.
Barium.....	Electrolytic.....	924.12	204 S.
Thallium.....	Fused.....	738.39	163 S.
Osmium.....	Fused.....	652.32	144 S.
Palladium.....	Fused.....	498.30	110 S.
Iridium.....	Fused.....	466.59	103 S.
Uranium.....	Fused.....	434.88	96 S.
Gold.....	Fused.....	269.72	60 S.
Titanium.....	Fused.....	229.80	52 S.
Tellurium.....	Fused.....	196.20	43 S.
Chromium.....	Fused.....	196.20	43 S.
Platinum.....	Fused.....	122.31	27 S.
Manganese.....	Fused.....	108.72	24 S.
Molybdenum.....	Fused.....	54.34	12 S.
Neodymium.....	Wire and tape.....	45.30	10 S.
Potassium.....	Globules.....	22.65	5 S.
Silver.....	Fused.....	18.60	4 S.
Aluminum.....	Bar.....	16.30	3 S.
Cobalt.....	Cubes.....	12.68	2 S.
Nickel.....	Cubes.....	3.90	0.8 S.
Cadmium.....	Fused.....	3.36	0.7 S.
Sodium.....	Fused.....	3.36	0.7 S.
Bismuth.....	Crude.....	1.95	0.4 S.
Mercury.....	Crude.....	1.00	0.2 S.
Antimony.....	Fused.....	.36	0.08 S.
Iron.....	Electrolytic.....	.22	0.05 S.
Fin.....	Electrolytic.....	.22	0.05 S.
Copper.....	Electrolytic.....	.15	0.03 S.
Arsenic.....	Crude.....	.15	0.03 S.
Zinc.....	Crude.....	.10	0.02 S.
Lead.....	Crude.....	.06	0.01 S.
Iron.....	Crude.....	.01 1/2	0.003 S.

Facts Worth Remembering.

The *Industrial-Mechanical Journal* is responsible for the following collection of items under this head. We cannot vouch for them, but we do know that castor oil is very good for leather, especially boots and shoes:

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To bleach glue, soak in moderately strong acetic acid for two days, drain, place on a sieve and wash well with cold water. Dry on a warm plate.

To cut glass to any shape without a diamond, hold it quite level under water, and, with a pair of strong scissors, clip it away by small bits from the edges.

To detect sulphuric acid in vinegar, put in a little starch. Then add a minute portion of iodine. If sulphuric acid be present, the starch will not take a blue tint.

It is said that dry rot in cellar timbers can be prevented by coating the wood with whitewash, to which has been added enough copperas to give the mixture a yellow hue.

Diamond cement, for glass or china, is nothing more than lingglass boiled in water to the consistency of cream, with a small portion of rectified spirit added. It must be warmed when used.

Iron may be cemented in wood by dropping in the recess prepared in the latter a small quantity of strong solution of sal-ammoniac. This causes the iron to rust, rendering it very difficult to extract.

To cement brass to glass, boil three parts of colophony with one of caustic soda and five of water. The soap of emulsion produced is mixed with half its weight of plaster Paris, zinc, white lead or prepared chalk.

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Lake Superior Items.

The *Marquette Mining Journal* has the following notes on Lake Superior matters:

There has been some considerable talk lately to the effect that the Jackson mine would close up entirely this winter. We have information, however, that there is no probability of any such course being taken by the company. Just now more ore is being sent from the mine than at any other time this season.

The Erie mine, under the management of Capt. Trowell, is at present giving employment to about thirty men. The shaft has reached a depth of nearly forty feet, and a cross-cut is being made at the bottom to test the width of the vein. The ore taken from the shaft is first-class, and the local manager feels encouraged with the confident belief that he has a good mine.

The product of the Keystone for the month of July will be about 900 tons of No. 1 ore, all mined from the east or "cold cut." At this point there was a narrow vein of very pure ore dipping under the hanging wall, and which was left until such time as it should be convenient or advisable to remove the rock. It is in this vein that the contractors have been at work since the renewal of operations in June, and sufficient work has been done to show that the vein widens as greater depth is attained, giving promise of a large body of ore where it was scarcely expected. The water has not yet been raised from the main shaft, but it is expected that the miners will be able to resume work at that point sometime during the coming week. In the west shaft the vein, which was passed in sinking in the hope of finding something more valuable below, is being followed up and yields some good ore. Shipments from this mine will hereafter be made via L'Anse.

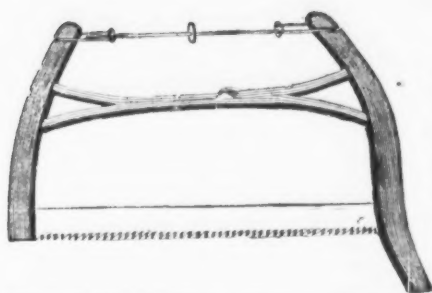
It seems a little singular, but it is nevertheless a fact, that while some of our principal miners are stocking their No. 1 specular ores in Cleveland—being obliged to ship it in order to carry out their season contracts with vessels—the soft hematites of the district, which formerly went begging, find a ready sale, and seem to be eagerly sought after by furnacemen. The Rolling Mill mine has sold up to the fullest possible limit of production, and at both the McComber and Winthrop operations have been renewed, which certainly would not have been the case were there no market for their production. In addition to this, we learn that the stock piles at the Salisbury and Excelsior mines, mined two years ago, have been sold, while the Jackson, Lake Superior and Lake Angeline continue their shipments of hematite. The exact reason for this state of things is more than we can definitely explain; but we presume it is to be found in the fact that the soft ores can be much more cheaply mined, and placed in the market at a much lower cost to furnacemen than the first-class ores, while recent work has demonstrated that, though not so rich, they make full as good iron for Bessemer steel and other purposes. Again, they form but a small portion of the entire product of the district, and it is possible that furnaces which are now buying the hematites have a stock of hard ores sufficient to last through the year now on hand, and desire the soft ores for mixture with them. However this may be, our hematites are certainly looking up, though the price at which they are sold leaves but a small margin over the cost of mining and transportation.

The following from the *Philadelphia Ledger* on the distribution of prizes at industrial exhibitions, is, in view of our coming international exhibition, certainly suggestive. It says: "Any one who carefully reads the report of the judges for the Franklin Institute Exhibition will notice a marked difference in the language and style of the judges in the different classes of articles exhibited and in the number of medals and certificates awarded in those classes. These differences which in the aggregate may amount to a lack of equity to some exhibitors, seems to be due to differences in the personal characteristics of the individual judges. A committee of shrewd, cautious men will be chary about giving prizes to any but the most deserving exhibitors, while one composed in the main of good natured, enthusiastic men will feel inclined to give silver medals for anything that happens to strike their fancy, and will not refuse a bronze or an honorable mention for the poorest display. The result of all this is that in some classes a great number of valuable medals were given and nearly every exhibitor mentioned, while in others no medals were awarded and very few of the articles mentioned in the report. As to each class of exhibits the awards are probably just, but, as a whole, it is very probable that the distribution of medals was not equitable. It would be impossible to find one man, or one working committee of men, able to pass judgment upon all classes of exhibits, nor could such man or committee do the work if either had the necessary ability, but some means should be taken to secure more uniformity in the standard than is generally made at public exhibitions." What it says of the Franklin Institute is true, so far as we know, of almost all exhibitions.

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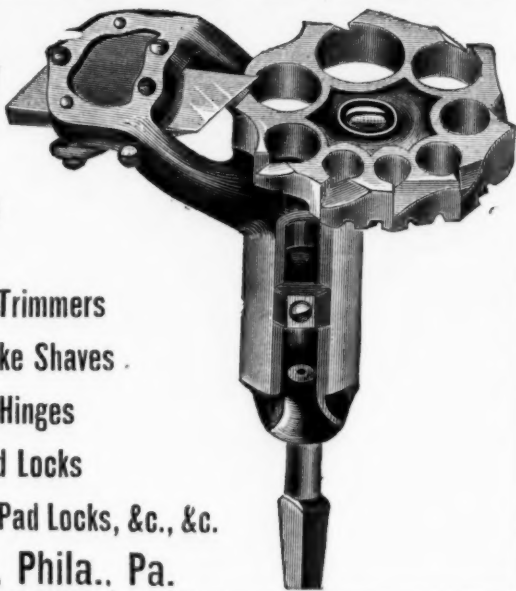
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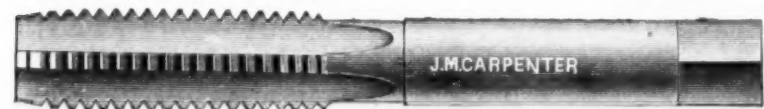
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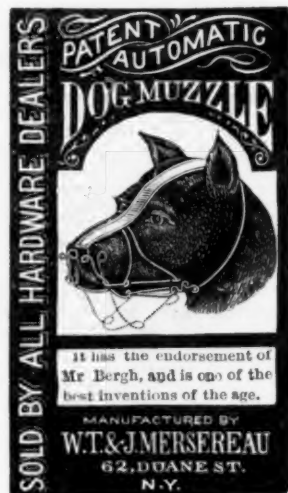
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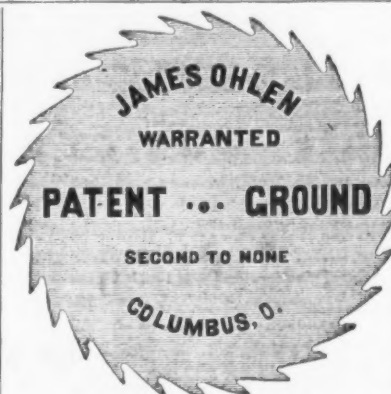
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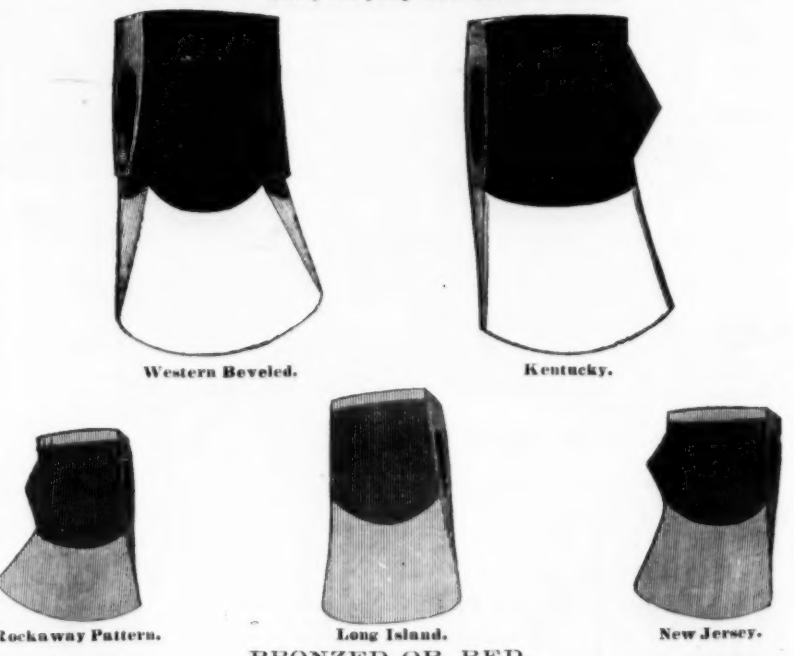
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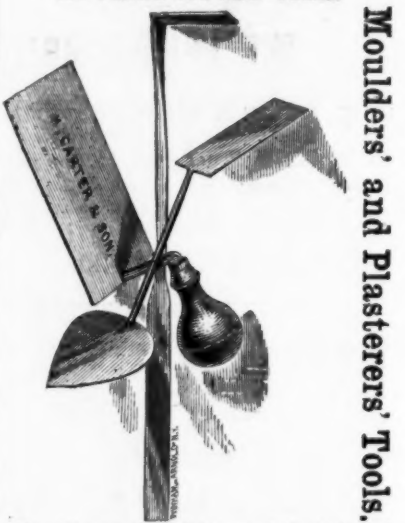
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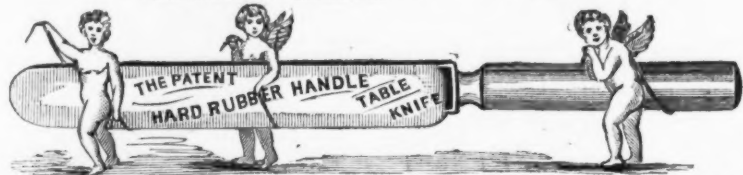
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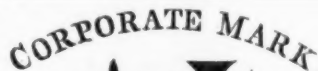
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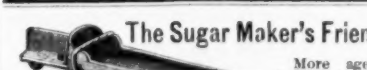
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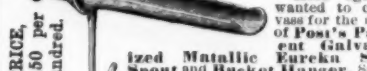
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The constant wet weather for quite a week past has very materially interfered with the trade, which is just beginning to show itself. The news of continued and widespread disaster to crops by storm and flood has created very considerable anxiety in regard to the grain trade, on which so much of our prosperity for the coming winter seems to hinge. As, however, the "worst comes first," generally, in crop reports, it is possible that the real damage is discounted, and that we will yet have a large surplus of grain for export, and a ready market at fair if not high prices. It is, at all events, clear that there is generally a better feeling among the mercantile classes, many of whom, from personal interviews with their customers or by correspondence, have received information of a hopeful character concerning the fall demands of the country, and the probable activity that will soon be exhibited. It is certainly to be hoped that this information will prove true. Whatever may be the case West, as to crops, it is clear that the average yield in Virginia will be much better than usual. Reports from the James River Valley counties indicate that the yield of wheat and oats has been unusually large; the corn crops is exceptionally good, and that of tobacco especially promising, the people of the section are more forward than at any previous time since the war. They are devoting themselves to agriculture, and particularly, in addition thereto, to a thorough examination of the varied and valuable minerals of their country. Great interest is taken by them in the formation of a Bureau of Ores, as proposed in the correspondence between Mr. Britton, of Philadelphia, Mr. Barbour, of the Midland R. R., and Gov. Kemper, of Virginia. Some objection appears to exist to the establishment of such a bureau at Alexandria, as it is believed generally that it should be nearer the ore sections of the State; but the locality, once determined, all will gladly aid in contributions of their minerals. If this project is rightly carried out, both Michigan and Missouri will have to look to their laurels, for Virginia can show red oxides, specular and magnetic ores of equal richness, purity and abundance with either, and limonite superior to both. Her list of minerals is by no means exhausted with iron ores. She can add copper and gold, manganese, barytes, asbestos, corundum, plumbago, ochres of various kinds of the quality, fine kaolin, pure silica for glass sand, and marble equal in color to Italian statuary stone. All these sources of wealth will be made known by means of such a bureau as proposed by Mr. Britton, and, properly managed, it cannot fail to attract capital to the State.

Centennial continues to excite a lively interest here in Philadelphia, and, despite the difficulties in obtaining funds, progresses steadily. The League Island Navy Yard here promises to be, when properly arranged, the finest naval station in this country at least. From a very interesting report on its present condition and future prospects published in the always accurate *Public Ledger*, I extract the following items of interest relative to the work. The buildings already erected, but not yet finished, are the Iron Plating Shop, 270x55 feet of pressed brick, and which will be connected with the Naval Constructor's Department, and the Yards and Docks Building. The latter is 230x65 feet of pressed brick with granite facings, and is nearly finished, a portion being occupied by the civil engineer of the station, Franklin G. Stratford. Opposite this will be the storehouse for steam engineering, to be 400x500 feet, and now being erected. In the rear of this is the engine house containing an engine of sufficient size to furnish the entire power for the station, and near by the Fire Department house with two steamers and a supply of hose ready for use. It is proposed to divide the entire island into squares of 400x300 feet, of which squares there will be sixty to be used by the various departments for an infinite variety of purposes. The floating dock basin projected will be 31 acres in extent; a repairing basin of 30 acres; a storage dock basin of 7 acres; a fitting out basin of 40 acres, etc. The floating dock basin will be on the Delaware and connected by 20 railroad tracks with other departments. The quay wall on the river front will have a water depth of 25 feet, while the river here is 2800 feet wide. The main avenue will be 125 feet wide—an avenue parallel with the river 80 feet, and all other streets and thoroughfares 75 feet. The plan comprises a system of floating docks combined with shallow basins and railroad tracks for raising ships and taking them on shore, and by this means a large number of ships can be provided for at once. When all the docking and digging is completed there will be an aggregate of 155 acres of deep water. The area will be divided as follows: The Bureau of Steam Engineering will have 19 acres space; the Coal Bureau, 36 acres; the Bureau of Ordnance, 24 acres; the Bureau of Provisions, 8 acres; the Bureau of Yards and Docks, 17 acres, and the Marine Corps, 21 acres. Of the money appropriated and still to be expended, \$1,887,000 will be for the Bureau of Construction, \$345,000 for that of Steam Engineering, \$300,000 for that of Equipment, \$115,000 for that of Provisions, and \$115,000 for that of Ordnance. There will be a large ropewalk and storehouses for sails, rigging, etc., etc. When thoroughly completed, the League Island naval station will afford as finely arranged and as convenient a yard for the purpose as can be found in the world.

Philadelphia has had, during the week, to mourn the death of one of her most conspicuous and most profoundly honored citizens, in that of Horace Binney. Dying at the unusual age of 96, he leaves a record conspicuous for eminent legal knowledge, forensic ability, old-school integrity, and comprehensive ability, which few in the history of any country can surpass. He was a ripe scholar and a leading member of the bar three-quarters of a century ago; he seemed to be a connecting link between the far past and the present. Seventy years ago he sat in the Legislature of Pennsylvania, and it is 43 years since he left Congress. Preferring the dignity of professional life, although celebrated in some of the most notable cases of the country, he never collected his arguments or speeches, and at his death leaves to his fellow citizens an example to all classes.

Furnace No. 1, of the Westerman Iron Company, was blown in on Wednesday morning, and is starting off in a manner perfectly satisfactory to the managers. Furnace No. 2, under the efficient management of Mr. A. B. Llewellyn, is averaging about 35 tons of No. 1 foundry iron per day, and when No. 1 gets in good working order, Mr. L. expects to be able to produce at least 70 tons of No. 1 iron per day at the two furnaces.—Sharon, Pa., Herald

Crampton Furnaces.

The Engineer has the following item in regard to these furnaces and their introduction in the North of England:

Whilst some ironmasters are seeking to remove certain of their difficulties by adopting puddling furnaces in which the labor of the puddler is supplemented by mechanically moved tools, there are others who, going to the root of the matter, appear still determined to adopt some method of puddling iron wholly by machinery. It was some time ago determined in a few cases in the North of England to supplant the furnaces with which Mr. Danks name is associated, by those invented by Mr. Crampton, and it is now made known that one firm has got five Crampton furnaces at work. The concern in question is that of Carlton, near Stockton-on-Tees, owned by the North of England Industrial Iron and Coal Company, Limited, of which Mr. H. C. Briggs is the chairman. This company has recently held its half-yearly meeting, and before the proceedings began, shareholders went over the works and watched the five Crampton machines in motion. Expressing their satisfaction at what they had seen, their interest was increased when during the meeting the chairman claimed for the directors that credit for practical wisdom which by some had been denied in relation to the statement which twelve months ago they made, to the effect that the Danks patent puddling furnace as originally constructed had signally failed to yield the profitable results fairly to be expected from the statements of the patentee. Determined, however, to find out a practicable means of mechanical puddling, the directors, "instead of wasting money for another twelve months, boldly took the bull by the horns and altered their mode of working to the system of heating by coal dust patented by Mr. Crampton." The board had not yet got over all the difficulties incidental to mechanical puddling but what the shareholders had that day seen showed that the board was proceeding satisfactorily toward attaining the desired results. Mr. Briggs claimed the later experience of other firms as confirmatory of the accuracy of the conclusions to which the board of the North of England Industrial Iron and Coal Company had earlier come, instancing that the Erismus Iron Company had introduced several alterations, and announcing that Messrs. Hopkins, Gilkes & Co., of Middlesbrough, had now put their men under notice to stop working the Danks machines. In a few weeks the members of the Iron and Steel Institute will have an opportunity of examining the means by which the Danks rotary puddlers have been made a success at the Ravensdale Iron Works in North Staffordshire; and those who may visit the Philadelphia Exhibition will see what is being done with the Danks by Messrs. Graff, Bennett & Co., of Pittsburgh, who now announce that the machine as adapted by their manager—Mr. John I. Williams—has so far satisfied them that they are now building four more, thus to make their whole plant ten, which is the same number, it will be remembered, which have been laid down in North Staffordshire. It cannot but come about that practical ironmakers shall be so far aided by mechanical engineers as to effect the puddling of iron wholly by machinery.

The Russian Circular Iron-Clad.

Mr. E. J. Reed, the well known English ship-building authority and ship builder, writes as follows in relation to the new Russian circular iron-clad, which has been recently making an experimental trip:

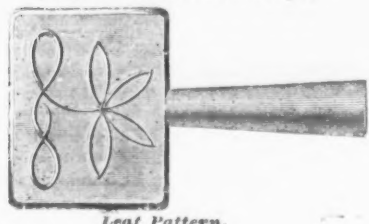
It will be interesting to many of your readers at home and abroad to learn that the first of the Russian circular iron-clads, the Novgorod, has recently made passages in the Black Sea which, to say the least, fully justify the imperial government in having adopted this form of vessel as one well adapted for providing very powerful naval defenses for certain purposes. After recently steaming from Nicholasief round the south of the Crimea to the Circassian coast, thence back as far as Sebastopol, and then to Odessa, this extraordinary vessel has, during the past week, performed what was probably her chief object by entering the sea of Azoff through the Straits of Kerch, where the depth of water is but 14 feet, and where no other European iron-clad carrying armor 11 inches thick and guns of 28 tons could possibly pass. I do not wish what I have previously said, or am here saying, to be construed as an approval of these circular iron-clads for all purposes and in all their details; but I certainly think the performances of the Novgorod are such as will excite the notice and admiration of many thoughtful persons beside ship builders, and will reflect great credit upon the imperial Russian government and their enterprising designer, Admiral Popoff. It is true that the Novgorod is not designed for and does not attain a high speed, but she has lately been steaming at eight knots, which is more than was intended, and she could have been made very much faster had she been increased in size. It must be remembered that, although carrying the heavy armor and guns already mentioned, she is a comparatively small vessel, being of but 100 feet in diameter, and having a total displacement of only 2500 tons, which is but one-half that of our Glatton, and much less than one-fourth of our Indefatigable, or even our Minotaur. She has engines of only 480 horse-power. Her cost, if built under like conditions with other ships, would be roughly proportioned to her tonnage and horse-power, from which the cheapness of such a vessel may be readily inferred.

The furnaces of the Jaggar Iron Works, Albany, are to be relighted.

The Allentown, Pa., Iron Company will soon be ready to start up.

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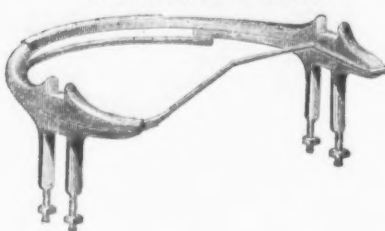
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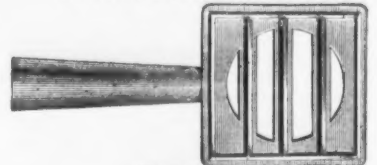
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1871 Pattern Shaft Couplings.



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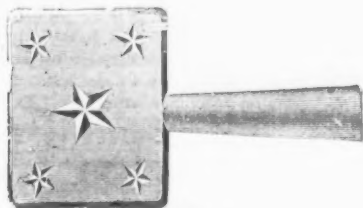
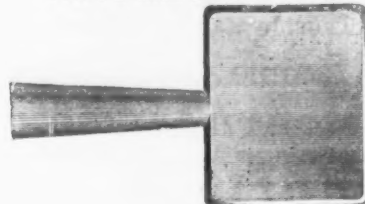


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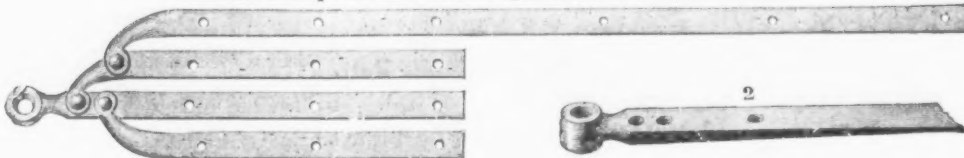
Lower View.

Solid Plain Pattern Steps.



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Smith's Improved Philadelphia Pattern Slat Irons.



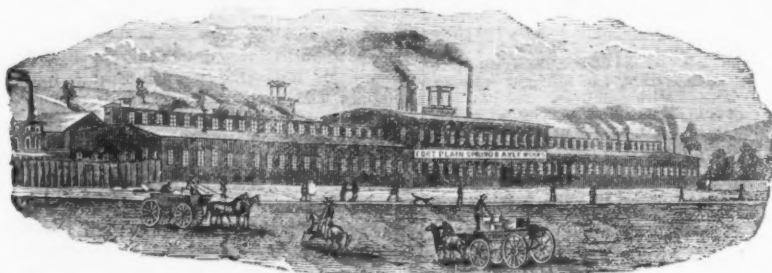
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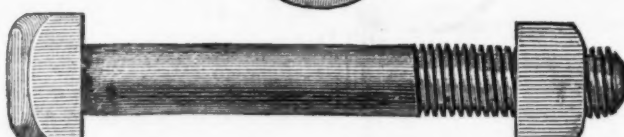
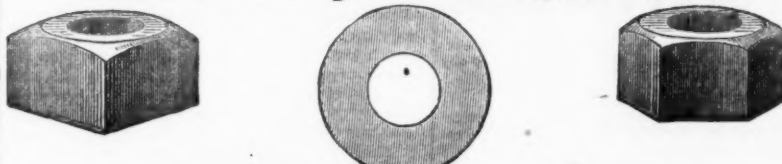
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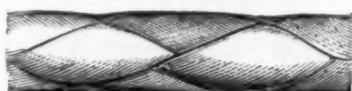
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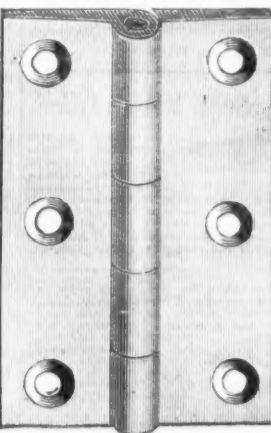
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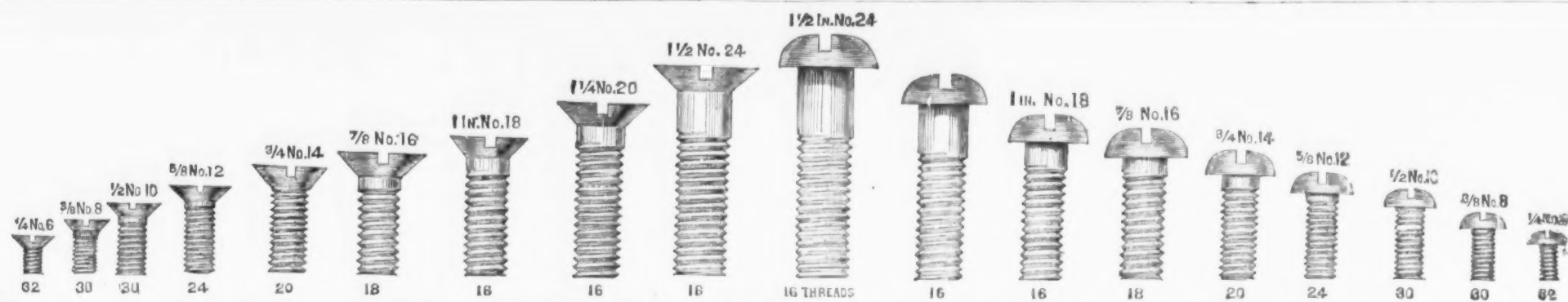
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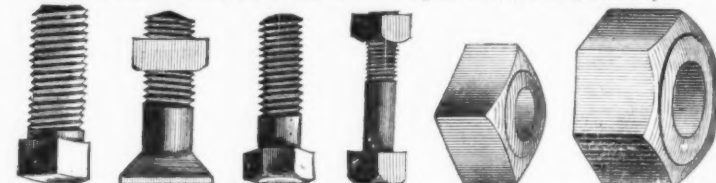
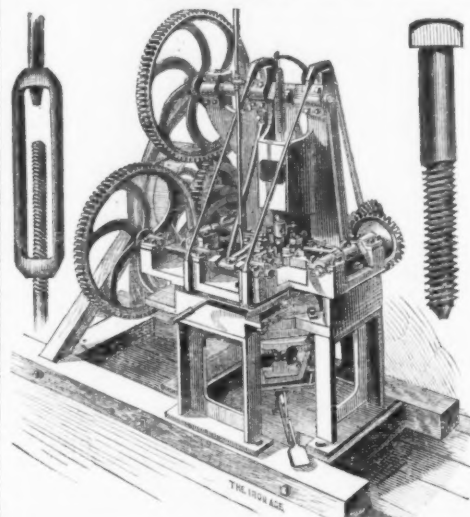
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"of the breath from the mouth of a strong person will readily displace it. The daily vibration in the density of the air, as indicated by the barometer, is even greater than this, and must surely permit large volumes of deleterious gases to escape into the house from the sewers of the streets."

Now, without any disrespect to the author, we ask: Was greater nonsense ever put in print and circulated by any institution having the double object of advertising itself and doing good? But the gems of the book are a couple of illustrations, giving a sectional view of a city house, one showing a house badly plumbed, and the other showing how it should be plumbed. In the former the soil pipe is carried up to the highest basin, and none of the waste pipes entering it are trapped. The only trap in the whole waste pipe system is a running trap or U-bend in the cellar. This is the wrong method. The right method omits all traps except the one in the cellar, but carries the soil pipe up and into the principal chimney, in which it terminates some distance below the chimney top. The consequence of this would be that the sewer gas would escape through every untrapped waste quite as readily as through the extension of the soil pipe; and what made its way up and into the chimney would, in the summer, be apt to be blown back into the house by the reverse drafts which are by no means uncommon during that season, especially at night, when the fires are out, and at all times when the temperature of the house is lower than that of the outer air. A plumber who should drain a house in this way, and carry the ventilating extension of the soil pipe into the chimney, ought to be tarred and feathered, and we venture to say such an arrangement will not be found in any house outside of England.

The fact of the matter is, our author, the intelligent "Fellow of the College of Physicians, Philadelphia," does not know what he is talking about, but his pretended knowledge and confidence of statement may mislead a great many people. He talks of valves, when such things are unknown in waste pipes; he omits traps wherever they are invariably put, and puts them where they are rarely, if ever, found in American houses. We are sorry to see a work containing so much valuable information, and which might be useful, spoiled by such mischievous nonsense as this.

No Dividends.

The *Ironmonger*, an English journal which has very queer ideas of this country and what transpires here, speaks of our National Association of Stove Manufacturers under the impression that it is a stock company, and that its semi-annual conventions are stock holders' meetings. Having got this idea from reading the reports of their meetings, it must have considered these documents very interesting if not amusing. But the funniest part of it all is that it quotes Mr. Jewett's words of encouragement and confidence in the future, as the apology of the president of the company for his inability to announce the division of a satisfactory semi-annual dividend, and thinks the stockholders would rather hear that the association had made a profit than listen to poetical descriptions of clouds and sunlight effects, as seen from a New England mountain top. Its article is too good to be lost, so we quote from it as follows:

We have just received an American paper containing a report of the half-yearly meeting of the "National Association of Stove Manufacturers." The president admitted that poetry and sentiment are not in the public mind intimately associated with the manufacture of stoves, but that he could not forbear making excursions into that region. He related an incident which had exerted a great influence on his career as a stove manufacturer. "Some thirty years ago," says the president, "I found myself standing in the bright sunshine of a July day on one of the highest mountains in New England. I could overlook three States, and suddenly I saw a cloud gather and rain began to fall. Above me was the clear azure sky; below me Lake Champlain, the Adirondacks, the White Mountains and the pleasant hills and valleys of Vermont, dotted here and there with villages and spires. The sun shone on the top of the bank of cloud and made it radiant; beneath I knew it was black and dismal. One-third of the horizon was blotted out, and two-thirds were glorious. I thought then, as I have thought many times since, that if one could always occupy a position of sufficient elevation, he would recognize the fact that clouds are always beneath the man who looks upward to the source of light, and that never more than one-third of the horizon is shut out of view. The cloud has its mission as well as the sunshine. Let us learn wisdom from each." It might be that such sublime language was used to lessen the disappointment of the shareholders in bearing some temporary "cloud" overhanging the trade. Certainly half-yearly meetings of American companies are profuse with sentiments such as those uttered by Mr. Jewett. Is it any wonder that American manufacturers should prosper, fed on such exalted language as this? Imagine a director of the Canadian Oil Wells or Phoenix Bessemer Company expatiating in this manner on the "clouds" which have recently fallen on those two companies. We are afraid, however, that such an abundance of prosaic words would be entirely lost on English shareholders. They are only too eager to hear what is the declared dividend in preference to listening to mere figures of speech.

When the National Association of Stove

Manufacturers begins to declare semi-annual dividends, we don't think Mr. Jewett will have any occasion to indulge in "mere figures of speech." It is not likely to do so this year, however.

Report upon the Eames System of Furnace Working with Petroleum.

BY PROFESSOR HENRY WURTZ.

(Concluded.)

THE CHARACTER AND QUALITY OF THE IRON. The special tests that have been made, in the oil furnace operated on the Eames system, in Jersey City, have been chiefly of one kind; selected because deemed to furnish the severest general test that could be devised—namely, the piling of refuse scrap iron, for reheating and rolling into boiler iron. The material thus employed has been chiefly composed of fragments of old, worn out boilers, many pieces having the boiler scale still adherent—no means being employed to detach it. This boiler scale being largely sulphate of lime, with phosphates, etc., nothing could be introduced into a furnace seemingly better calculated to frustrate all efforts to weld the mass again into any useful condition of coherent lamination. Hence a frequent remark of experts, that if the petroleum flame would make this stuff into anything useful, we might expect everything from it. The figures of Professor Thurston's tests of the plate, given below by him, cannot but be regarded as very remarkable.

MECHANICAL LABORATORY, STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, HOBOKEN, N. J., July 31, 1874.

Professor HENRY WURTZ—Sir: We send you herewith the records of the tests recently made, in the Mechanical Laboratory, of specimens of iron made by the Eames process from mixed scrap, and marked No. 430 to 436, consecutively. The specimens numbered 430, 431 and 432 were, by some mistake, sent us with square corners, and tore apart at those points of weakness before reaching their maximum resistance to tension. We are, therefore, only able to give their successive stresses and extension within the limit of ultimate resistance.

The remaining specimens were properly shaped, and the results given may be regarded as accurate. The densities were very carefully determined, and are valuable as indicating the specific gravity of this peculiar quality of metal. The results of these tests of scrap boiler plate, and the inspection of the fractured specimens, indicate that the method of heating and

RECORDS OF TESTS BY TENSION, OF IRON MADE BY THE EAMES PROCESS.—MECHANICAL LABORATORY, DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Material: Rolled Iron.—Investigation of Tensile Strength per Square Inch Area.

Name	Original Specimen	Original Section	Original Area	Original Weight	Original Length	Original Diameter	Original Thickness	Original Width	Original Height	Original Volume	Original Density	Original Specific Gravity	Original Modulus of Elasticity	Original Modulus of Rupture	Original Modulus of Compression	Original Modulus of Torsion	Original Modulus of Transverse Rupture	Original Modulus of Transverse Compression	Original Modulus of Transverse Torsion	Original Modulus of Transverse Compression	Original Modulus of Transverse Torsion
Iron made by Eames process	430	430	4.30	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80
Iron made by Eames process	431	431	4.31	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81
Iron made by Eames process	432	432	4.32	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82
Iron made by Eames process	433	433	4.33	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83
Iron made by Eames process	434	434	4.34	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84
Iron made by Eames process	435	435	4.35	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85
Iron made by Eames process	436	436	4.36	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86

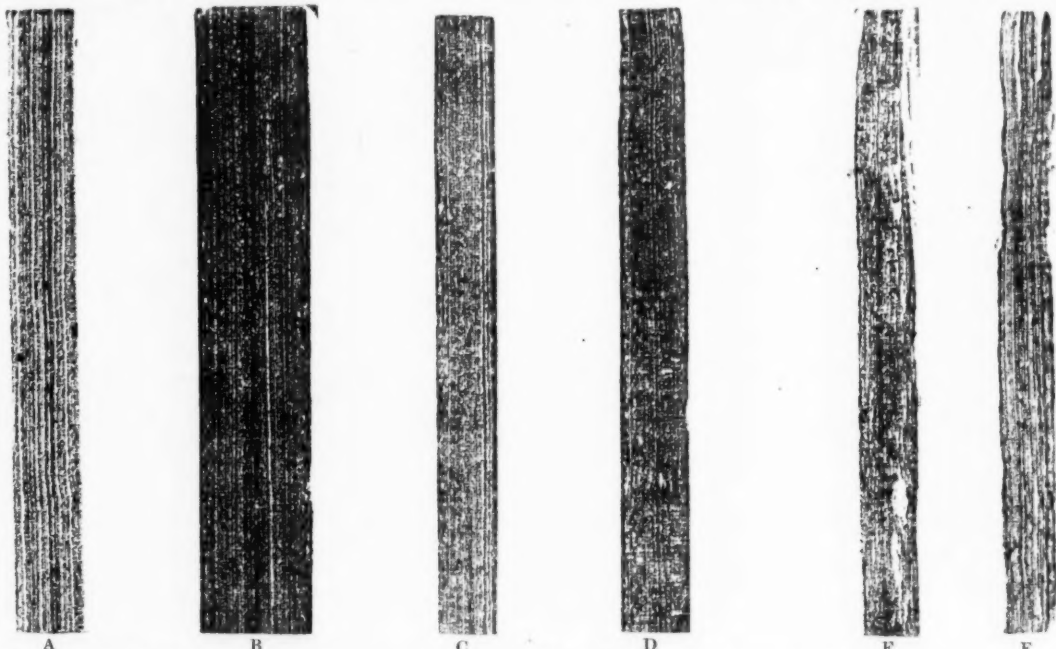


Fig. 3.—PRINTS MADE DIRECTLY FROM THE LAMINAE OF BOILER-PLATE, DEVELOPED BY ETCHING, BY PROFESSOR HENRY WURTZ.

working adopted by Dr. Eames secures a very perfect elimination of impurities and consequent uniformity and perfection of weld.

The proof strain is unusually high, and this, with the specific gravity recorded, indicates, I should conclude, great homogeneity and compactness of material.

Such high proof stress is rarely observed in boiler plate. I should suppose that such metal would make good fire-box iron, but should hesitate to recommend a mixed scrap plate for that purpose until after extended trial.

The ultimate strength is quite up to the average of boiler plate, and exceeds that of a large proportion of the iron usually found in market; it is satisfactory as the result of reworking such scrap as was used here.

The extension is much less than is obtained from the more ductile and softer irons, but specimens 434 and 435 show that even this hard scrap plate may be given a fair degree of extensibility.

No. 433, which is a piece of plate made from the bloom by this same process, and introduced here for comparison, shows the same peculiarities of structure and of resistance, and indicates those peculiarities to be characteristic of the product of this method of working.

The successive extensions, as the load was increased, indicate well the behavior of the metal under loads exceeding its limit of elasticity.

I regret that I have had no opportunity to examine iron made by this process into bar, or metal of a higher grade originally. The specimens furnished being all of thin plate, they could not be tested in the autographic machine, and we cannot, therefore, furnish strain diagrams produced automatically.

It gives me pleasure to be able to state that I have been very favorably impressed with the arrangement adopted by Dr. Eames. The work done by his process is very satisfactory, so far as I have been able to observe.

The main principle of using a gaseous fuel, derived from a liquid hydro-carbon, has been one which I have, for many years past, urged as one of the most promising methods of securing a flame of high temperature and of great purity—such as is needed in the production of fine grades of iron.

I should regard its commercial success as one of the most promising features of metallurgical progress. Very respectfully,

(Signed) R. H. THURSTON.

It was thought advisable by me to endeavor to supplement Prof. Thurston's tests by some experiments to develop the uniformity and homogeneity of weld and lamination, obvious to all experts, produced by the petroleum flame; and I determined, therefore, to attempt to make the iron put itself on record; a thing which has not, I believe, been accomplished before, except in cases of cast iron specimens. I succeeded very well in etching polished edges of the sheets so as to obtain electrotypes from them, and the results are herewith presented in figure 3. The impressions lettered A, B, C and D are from the petroleum iron, and E and F from clean, selected pieces of the best of the used boiler scrap, from which the piles were made up. [The unsoundness and really frightful internal irregularities developed in these latter pieces of plate have surprised me much, even considering that it came from a worn boiler, and I must desire to make further examinations of new commercial boiler sheet by this method; a method of testing which, I would submit, should be universally practiced, now that its utility has been made so manifest. It will be of interest to add that the irregularities developed in the pieces of broken boiler sheet by the etching were scarcely, if at all, visible to the eye on the polished edges of the specimens, before the corroding agent was applied; the surface being quite passably sound and uniform. This makes the result of the etching operation more remarkable. My supposition is that the irregularities were developed by the existence of imperceptible fissures, due to lack of original perfect welding, into which the corroding liquid penetrated, and could then eat out on both sides, as can be readily understood.]

FURTHER FACTS AND FIGURES; ECONOMY, ETC.

It was quite easy to determine with precision, with the arrangements at Jersey City, the relations of consumption of oil to iron produced, and time, labor and material occupied, in any special case. The oil was fed from a tank sunk in the ground, which had a horizontal section throughout of four feet square. Each inch in depth, therefore, corresponds to 2304 cubic inches, or, closely enough to 10 U. S. gallons of 231 cubic inches. By gauging with a graduated rod each hour, therefore, the hourly consumption of oil was readily followed up. It was thus determined by me that, starting with a cold furnace and boiler full of cold wa-

ter, 45 minutes was a maximum time, with oil fed at the rate of 30 gallons per hour, or 22.5 gallons in this time, to bring the whole fire-steam to a dazzling white heat. Six piles of scrap, averaging 500 lbs., or 3000 lbs., in all, being then introduced, 35 minutes more, at the same rate of consumption, not only brought the piles to a high welding heat, but raised the steam in the boiler to 90 pounds pressure, being that required to operate the rolls. The time required, after the furnace was heated and steam up, for each charge of 3000 lbs. averaged, at most, 80 minutes; and, as the brickwork became heated throughout, it was apparent that the feed of oil might be somewhat diminished, as will be readily understood. Thus, in a working day of 10 hours, just seen such charges could be worked off, averaging 2500 lbs. of rolled iron each; total, 8 tons per day of boiler steel from one such furnace, with an average consumption, as a maximum, of 30 gallons (200 lbs.) of oil per hour, or 300 gallons (2000 lbs. in all), worth, at present prices, \$16.50. To this must be added, however, the fuel used under the generator and small supplementary boiler, which together was 500 lbs. per day, worth, say, \$1.20, and making \$17.70 for fuel per day in all, or \$2.22 per ton of finished sheet. [It is admissible that one generator and one small boiler will operate several furnaces—the inventor says five. If we say four, it will diminish the small addendum of cost; and it is, therefore, fair to say \$2.10 as a maximum fuel cost per ton of sheet.]

As to working this furnace with coal, it was ascertained from the testimony of the operators (taken under oath, at my request) that by keeping up the fire all night, so that a heat could be had at a reasonable time in the morning, the maximum product of finished sheet might be, with superior work, allowing 90 minutes for each heat, six tons, with a consumption of at least 5 1/2 tons of coal—12,320 lbs., or 2053 lbs. of coal per ton. This coal, rated at \$5.50 per ton on the fire, would be a fuel cost of \$5.94 per ton of iron, as against \$2.10 for oil.

To get the comparative effective work per pound of oil and coal, we must deduct from the 2053 lbs. coal per ton of iron the coal used in making the petroleum iron in the two small extra fires—43 lbs. per ton, which brings it down to 1990 lbs. coal against 250 lbs. oil per ton, or a ratio of 8 to 1—justifying my maximum estimate of previous paragraph, at least for this special kind of sidetrack work, on an ordinary furnace hearth.

As the effective work of coal is nearly doubled by the use of the Siemens regenerators, this disparity must, in that case, be reduced one-half, this still leaving a clear margin of economy of cost of just 20 per cent. in favor of the oil; but considering the heavy cost of the Siemens or Siemens-Martin plant, and the comparatively trifling cost of that of Eames, this latter comparison is far from being a just one. There can be no advantage with the gas furnaces and regenerators on the score of "cutting" the iron, as the same elements of purity and manageability of the flame exist in each.

I have in hand statements from the inventor, made at my request, as well as sworn testimony, and estimates, made also at my suggestion, by the furnacemen, that I desired to compare with my own estimates and figures as above. I do not find enough substantial variation to justify in my mind the occupation, on

for by Dr. Wm. F. Channing and C. H. Perkins, Esq., well known and highly esteemed citizens of the city of Providence.

The experiments in puddling at the horse shoe works were very satisfactory, the material used being old cast iron scrap. Each charge, weighing 500 lbs., was converted in about 45 minutes, consuming about nine gallons of petroleum. Mr. Bell, before a recent committee on coal in the English House of Commons, estimates that five and a half tons of coal are required to produce one ton of finished iron from the ore. The American estimate is usually six tons of coal, nearly three tons being consumed in the blast furnace, and at least one and a half tons in the puddling furnace, to every ton of iron.

Other experiments were made at these works in "busheling" scrap iron. In reference to these, the following statement is authorized by the same gentlemen:

"The time usually required to heat a busheling furnace, from the cold, with coal, at the Rhode Island Horse Shoe Works, may be stated at seven or eight hours, after which four heats an hour can be obtained. With the petroleum vapor, the furnace could be heated from the cold in about thirty-five minutes, after which six heats an hour could be obtained, and six balls produced, weighing about 175 lbs. each, or an hourly production of 1050 lbs. of iron."

"The amount of petroleum consumed in doing this work averaged about twelve gallons an hour. About 500 lbs. of anthracite were burned per day under the generator and superheater during these experiments with a single furnace; but, as the generator was large enough to supply five furnaces, it is estimated that 150 lbs. of anthracite per day would be sufficient to vaporize and convert the petroleum required for each one of several furnaces. It commonly takes one ton of Cumberland coal in the busheling furnace to produce one ton of iron. The cost of Cumberland coal, at the works, averages \$8.25 per long ton. The petroleum used in the experiments cost 5 7/10 cents per gallon, delivered in Providence, and the anthracite used under the generator cost \$6.25 per long ton."

"For the petroleum process only two men instead of three are required at the busheling furnace. No cleaning of the bars or wheeling of ashes are required. The furnace used in the experimental tests remained clean and free from dust. The iron produced was cleaner than when coal was used."

"In working on the large scale, a single man would manage the generator and super-heater for the whole works, as well as, in this instance, for a single furnace."

"Three charges of thin wrought scrap were weighed before and after 'heating' with petroleum, by Messrs. C. H. Perkins and R. W. Comstock, superintendents of the Horse Shoe Works, showing a loss of only 13 per cent. in welding and baling; while with the same thin scrap, in the common process at the works, the loss is estimated at 25 per cent."

"The petroleum iron, thus produced, in billets, was softer and finer than that made by the common process."

"It was observed, at the works, that the gases of combustion from the petroleum furnace carried more heat, and were worth more for their final use of making steam under the steam boiler, than the gases of combustion from the coal furnaces."

GENERAL CONCLUSIONS.

1. The Eames system of feeding furnaces with petroleum exhibits that minute study, on the part of the inventor, of the chemical nature and characteristics of the new fuel, which only could lead to immediate success in its practical application.

2. This thorough knowledge and appreciation of the special practical difficulties to be grappled with, together with a high degree of energy and intelligence that has manifestly been put forth in the pursuit, has led to an early and complete success in this novel art of operating furnaces with oil fuel, such as has not often been paralleled in the history of inventions.

3. The only method of introducing the oil into the furnace, which is at the same time sufficiently rapid and capable of bringing about a smokeless combustion—that is, in the form of a powerful jet of complete vapor—has been successfully attained; and the construction and method of the Vapor-generator are such that no possible interruption, clogging or irregularity, short of a solution of its continuity, can occur in its action.

4. An exact adaptation and adjustment has been arrived at of the oil burner, or device for securing rapid, complete and uniformly diffused combustion, with the enormous volume of air that is required, without possibility of such excess of heat in any part as to melt down and destroy the burner itself; this essential device being reduced to a marvel of simplicity and efficiency.

5. The additional plant and alterations required for the adaptation of the new system to existing furnaces are cheap, simple and facile.

6. The rapidity with which heats may be raised under the new system gives us two important advantages. Continuous firing is no longer indispensable to economical working, and stoppages for repairs will no longer involve such protracted and expensive delays.

7. The combination of devices constituting the Eames system has so developed the full powers and capabilities of oil fuel, that we are enabled readily to measure and ascertain these with accuracy for the first time, and make them a subject of reliable deduction from actual figures obtained on a working scale.

8. We thus learn, as demonstrated in the preceding pages, that the economical advantages in sidetrack, of added intensity of temperature, and energy or concentration of heat, in saving of time, as an element of work done, are even greater than have been contemplated by those men of science who have fully admitted the general principle; so much greater, that in siderurgical practice, where the heat taken up by the iron is but a small fraction of the total heat, the calorific superiority of oil over coal, weight for weight—admitted, at most, heretofore as 175 to 10 or 14—actively and effectively rises to a ratio of eight to one.

9. It stands also as proved, by this investigation, that an additional, most important advantage results, in making steam, from the combined purity and density of this flame, and that a much larger steam making absorption of heat, by the boiler surface, ensues; the effect being similar to the comparative powers of an ordinary fuliginous gas flame and that of the Bunsen burner; so that the chimney gases are discharged at a temperature sometimes 300 Fahrenheit lower than from a coal fire; and the total efficiency of the furnace rises to 92 or 93 per cent. of the total heat engendered.

10. The tests of the elasticity and tensile strength of the iron reheated by the oil-flame of Eames, as well as the development of the laminae by chemical corrosion, prove that this flame must be unsurpassable for effecting a strong and uniform weld, and for thus developing from a given iron the best strength and durability of which its chemical nature is susceptible.

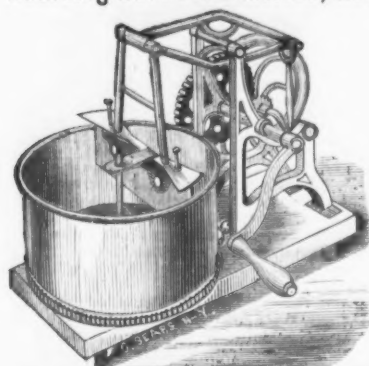
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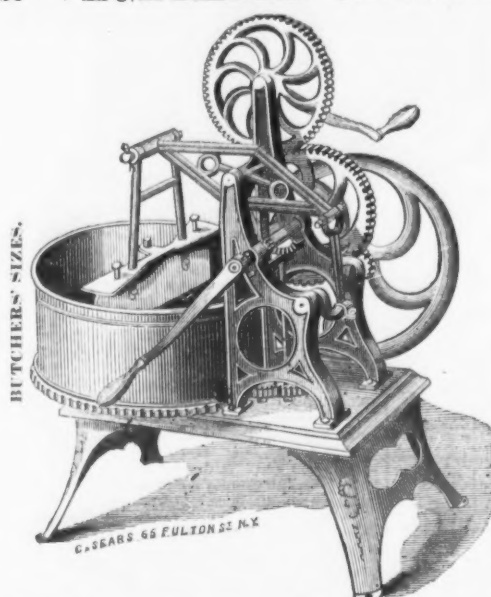
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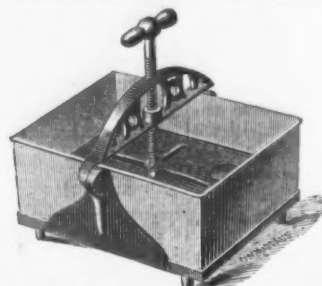


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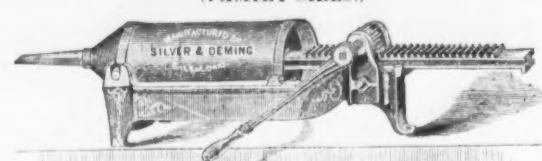
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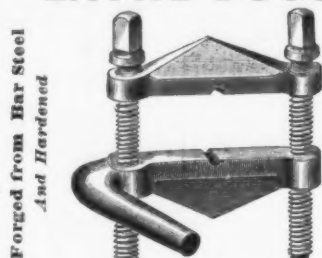
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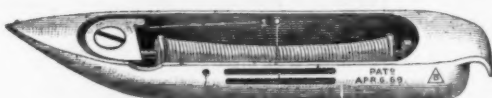
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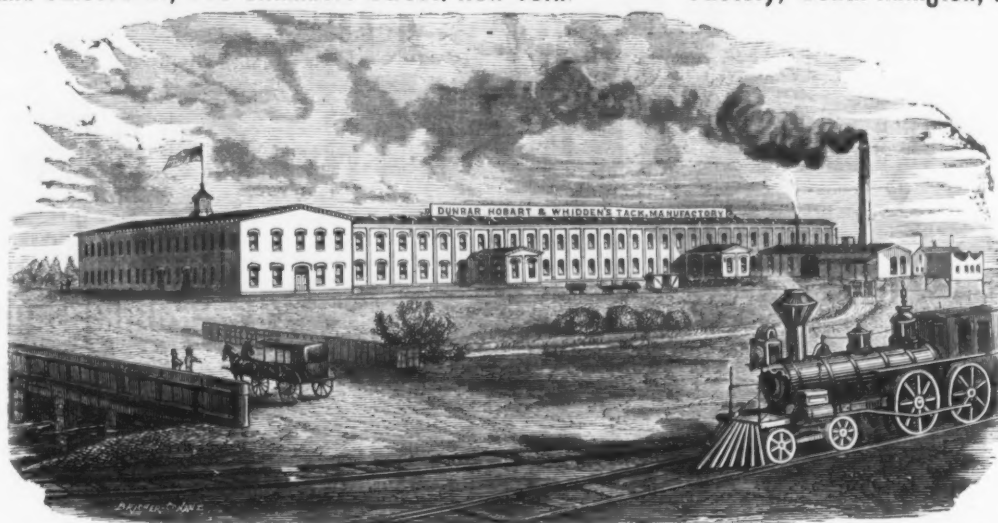
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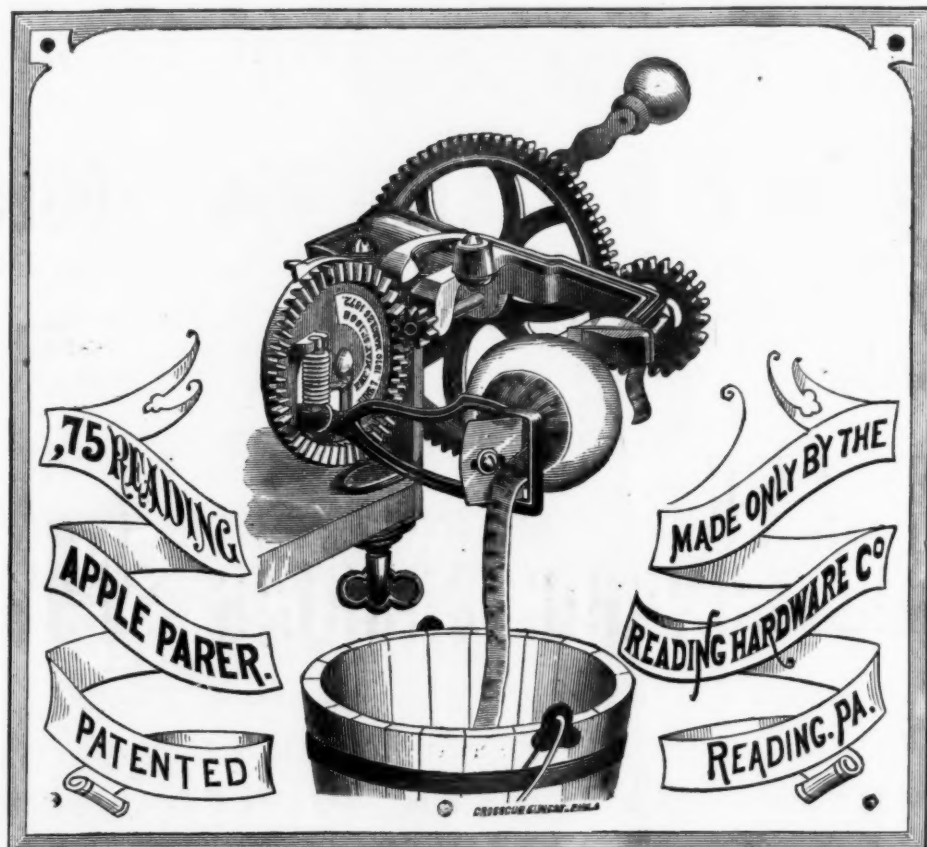
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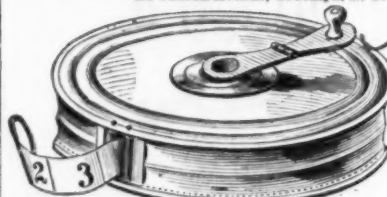
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The Siemens-Martin Steel Process in France.

We have received the following communications, which may be of interest to many of our readers:

ANONYMOUS SOCIETY OF THE MARTIN STEELS,
Office, 29 Rue Le Pelletier,
MARTIN-STEEL PROCESS,
PARIS, July 30, 1875.

To the Editor of The Iron Age, New York—
DEAR SIR: Permit us to invite your attention to the accompanying two documents, having reference to cast steel manufacture. We remain, dear sir, yours respectfully,

P. DE SEMT, Deputy Administrator.

PARIS, July 20, 1875.

The Martin patents for the manufacturing of steel on the hearth of a reverberating furnace heated by gas, according to the Siemens system, have been frequently assailed, like all patents of real value.

In 1867, Mr. Aristide Berard, who had taken out a patent for the manufacture of steel, insisted upon the Martin process being an imitation of his own, and commenced a law suit against Messrs. Martin. In 1870 the first tribunal of the Seine dismissed the claim, and condemned him to the costs; aside from this his process has never been practically adopted for industrial purposes.

More recently, Mr. Alfred Sudre, who, in 1858, had taken out a patent for the manufacture of steel, and who had abandoned it subsequently in consequence of fruitless experiments made at Montataire, tried to extinguish the Martin patents through recourse to the courts. This law suit was protracted by political events in 1870 and 1871, as well as by the slowness of experiments that had to be resorted to. The experts who had been appointed by the tribunal were Messrs. Burat, Jordan and Lan, and they made their return only on the 21st November, 1874. In this report the majority of the experts arrived at the following conclusions:

I. That the now relinquished patents of Mr. Sudre and Messieurs Boigues Rambourg constituted no anteriority to the Martin patents.

II. That the Martin processes are made up of elements pretty much all known; but that by combining them they have reached results which had not been attained before them.

III. That Messieurs Martin, of Sireuil, have been the first who succeeded in manufacturing steel without difficulty on the grate, and that as early as 1867 they had arrived at industrial processes which furnished a merchantable article.

The said experts having come to such a clear conclusion on the subject, Mr. Sudre, on perceiving that the matter would be taken up by the courts in a thorough manner on the 21st of July, receded from further pursuing the suit at law on the 15th of July, acknowledging the validity of the patent of Messrs. Martin.

Hence there is at present no litigation attempted to upset the Martin patents, and licenses to use these processes are granted by the Anonymous Society of the Martin Steels, 29 Rue Le Pelletier, Paris.

THE MANUFACTURE OF MARTIN STEEL.

The steel manufacturing question engages public attention now-a-days more than ever before; we therefore believe that the industrial public at large will be glad to be acquainted with the practical results which the manufacture of Martin steel gives, whether in the Martin furnace or the revolving grate furnace of Mr. Pernot. The figures of the subjoined table are the average results of the Pernot furnace on the one hand, and the Martin furnace on the other, obtained during the first quarter of 1875 at two of the leading works using these furnaces. On examining the same, many erroneous views that have obtained on the subject through the instrumentality of several publications, will be removed:

Consumption for the production of a ton of Ingots.	Pernot Furnace.	Martin Furnace.
Coal *.....	695 kilos for ingots for rails.....	520 kil's gas coal.....
Refuse.....	663 kilos for ingots of soft steel Or about 13-90 or 13-25 francs.....	190 kil common coal. Or about 18-10 francs.....
Pr'd'n during 24 hours.....	6 1/2 for soft steel. 16,600 kilos for rails.....	7 1/2..... 16,800 kilos for rails.....
Wages.....	15,853 kilos for soft steel.....	15,000 for soft steel.....
Running expenses and repairs.....	12-39 francs.....	10-20 francs.....
	16-47 francs.....	10-25 francs.....

* The ton of gas coal is reckoned at 20 francs; common coal at 14 francs.

Government Tests of Iron and Steel.

Committee. (O). Steels for Tools. David Smith, U. S. N.; L. A. Beardslee, U. S. N.; Wm. Sooy Smith, C. E.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, 1875.
A Committee of the Board appointed by the President of the United States in conformity with an Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1875, has been instructed to make a series of tests to determine the constitution, characteristics and special adaptations of steels used for tools.

As the results sought to be obtained are of public interest, the committee would request manufacturers of tool steels to aid in this work, by furnishing samples of their steel, to be subjected to mechanical, physical and chemical tests.

Bar should be stamped at one end with a distinguishing number, and the trade mark and initials of the maker.

It is particularly requested that a full description of each bar, specified by number, be furnished, stating the kind of raw materials used the processes employed in its manufacture, the size of ingot, number of reheats, and the extent to which it has been subjected to hammering or rolling. Its chemical analysis and the results of mechanical tests, with dimensions of the specimens broken, if such have been made, will also be of value to the committee.

Please state, also, at what heat each quality of steel submitted is best worked and hardened, the process of tempering recommended, the kind of cooling medium to be employed, and the color to which the temper should be drawn for tools intended for different purposes.

If it should be desired by the manufacturer to furnish one of his own men, familiar with and skilled in working the particular steel submitted, the committee would be pleased to accept his services.

Any suggestions in regard to the tests to which the steel or tools made of it should be subjected, will be thankfully received.

The bars are to be stored until the committee determines where they are to be sent.

DAVID SMITH, Chairman.

A Correction.

DELAWARE ROLLING MILL,
PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 19, 1875.

Editor of The Iron Age: DEAR SIR.—We notice in your paper dated August 5th, that you have included us among the creditors of Gerry, Tilton & Colwell, iron brokers, of New York. This is a mistake, as we have never done a dollar's worth of business with that house.

Yours, truly,
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Determination of Total Carbon in Cast Iron.

BY C. ALVARGONZALEZ.

To determine the total carbon the cast iron is attacked by a salt of copper, the sulphate being generally preferred. The result of the reaction is that the iron is dissolved, leaving a residue consisting of metallic copper, carbon and some silica. A certain portion of the carbon is left in the residue as hydrocarbons. Upon washing it with benzol I have obtained a substance strongly resembling coal tar.

The course generally adopted has been to oxidize the residue and to estimate the carbon as carbonic acid. Although, in theory, this is correct, the results obtained in practice are far from being satisfactory, unless the process be carried out by a person of unusual skill and experience. The apparatus is necessarily complicated, troublesome to put together, and yields very unsatisfactory results with many operators.

These considerations have induced me to try to estimate the total carbon by loss. Although Fresenius* says that methods founded on determination by loss are not reliable, because the carbon precipitated with the metallic copper is not all in the state of pure carbon, the results that have been obtained, not only by myself, but by several fellow students, prove the accuracy of the method.

The method that has been adopted is very simple and expeditious. It is as follows: Ten grammes borings of cast iron are treated with a solution of neutral sulphate of copper (formed with forty-one grammes of sulphate dissolved in the necessary amount of water) until the reaction ceases.

The result of the reaction is a mixture of metallic copper, graphite, hydrocarbons and a certain portion of silica. From this mixture the copper must be separated. Instead of using for this purpose chloride of copper and hydrochloric acid, as recommended by Engler, I use dilute nitric acid, which attacks the copper in a much shorter time. Although this course has met with disapproval on account of the liability of nitric acid to oxidize the carbon, the results obtained show that sufficiently diluted nitric acid has no action on it.

After the copper has been dissolved, dilute solution, and collect the precipitate on a filter; wash it thoroughly and dry, when it will become detached from the filter, and it may be placed in a platinum crucible.

As it is necessary that the precipitate be detached as thoroughly as possible from the filter, I have adopted for this analysis the filter of Mr. Rother,† which has no folds, and in which the precipitate is spread on a smaller surface than on other conical filters. The precipitate may be separated from the filter with a feather, the quantity of carbon left on the paper being appreciable. The filter is not used after the carbon has been removed from it, and may be thrown away. After the precipitate has been thoroughly dried at 100° C. and weighed, the carbon is burned over a Bunsen burner, and estimated by loss.

The following results have been obtained:

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3.90 " "	3.90 " "
3.80 " "	3.79 " "
4.10 " "	4.16 " "
3.80 " "	3.75 " "
3.80 " "	3.68 " "

Some of the results obtained are slightly higher than those given by the estimation by direct weight. This may be due to estimating as carbon the impurities which accompany it. The slight difference between the results obtained by these two methods is probably owing to the circumstance that the principal impurity accompanying carbon is hydrogen, whose equivalent is very low.

LABORATORY OF THE SCHOOL OF MINES,
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* See English translation, 4v. edition Bullock and Vacher, London, 1865, p. 658.
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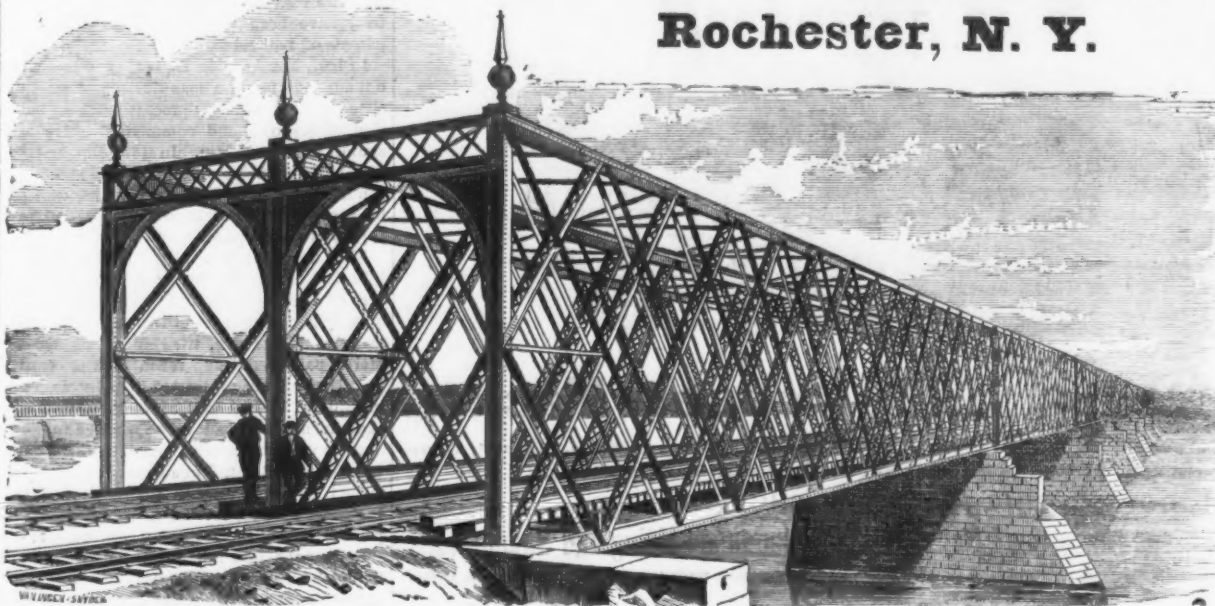
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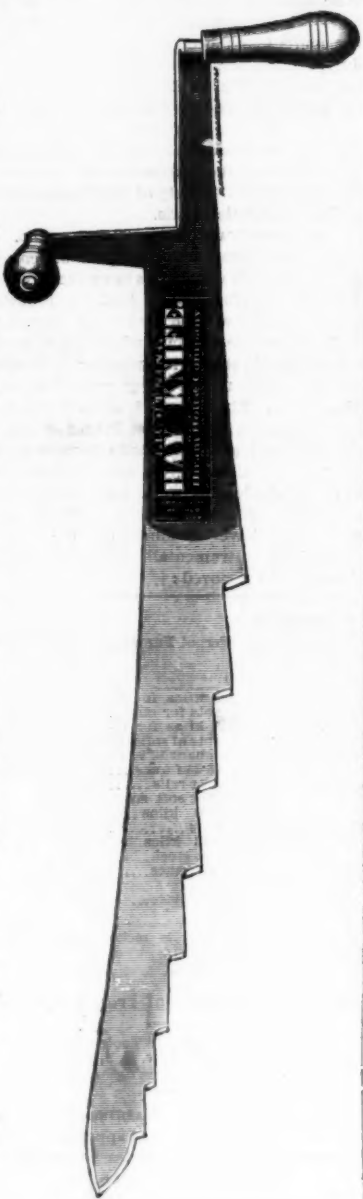
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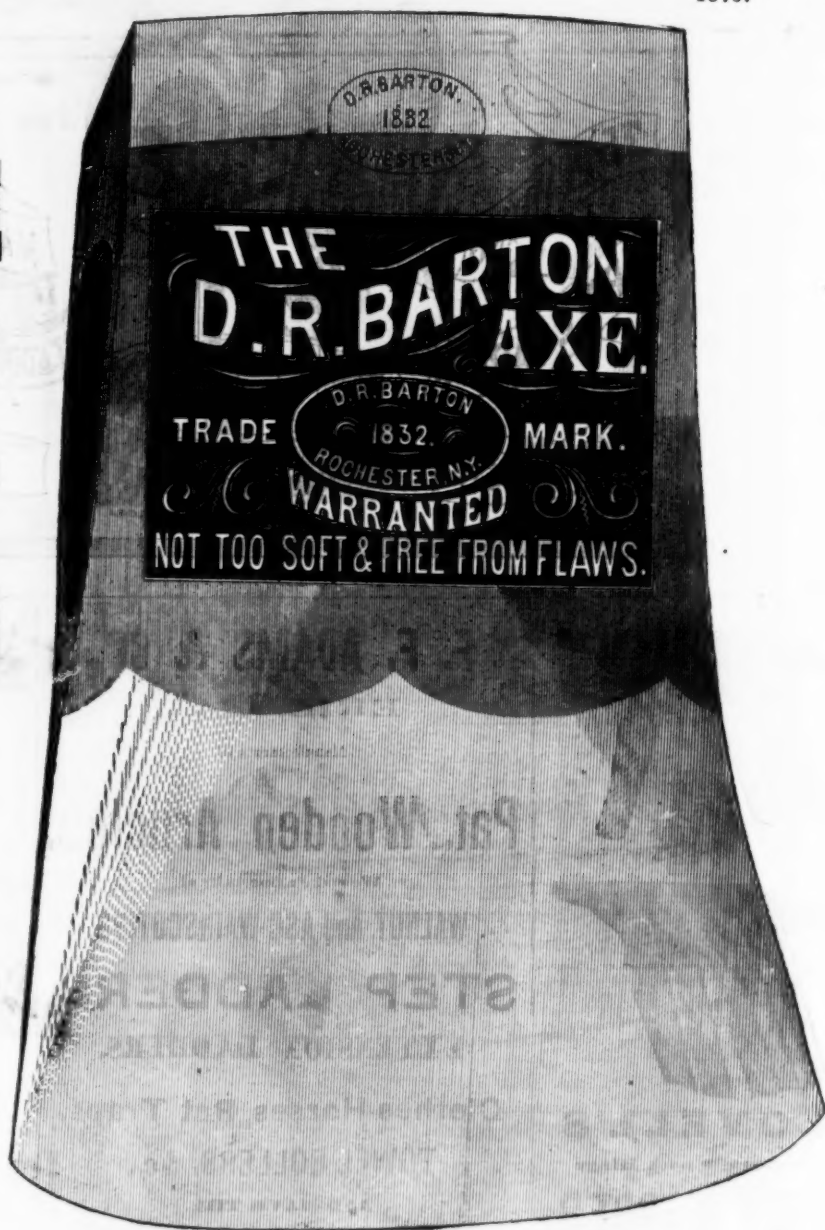
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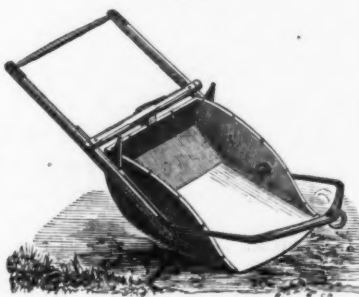
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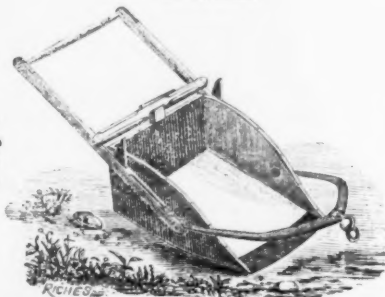
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Instead of the old "dead beat" escapement, a far more nicely adjusted combination of machinery is employed. It is the new gravity escapement. The pendulum is thorough in "compensation," being constructed of nine parts, four of brass and five of steel. It is a two-second pendulum, taking two seconds for its swing or beat. At the lower end of the pendulum is suspended a weight of four or five pounds, inclosed in a heavy lenticular brass cup. The length of the pendulum rod is about fourteen feet. The pendulum is hung upon very delicate steel springs, and its movements are made with the utmost precision.

The six legged gravity escapement is connected with the pendulum by simple yet delicate mechanism, and all its acting parts are jewelled. By this escapement the motion is communicated to the pendulum. On each side of the pendulum rod is an iron arm suspended from one end, obliquely. As the escapement wheel turns, small pins on its axes raise the free end of one of these arms by means of levers. As the pendulum reaches the termination of its path, the arm is released, and its weight, pressing against the pendulum, drives it to the other side, where the operation is repeated. The motion is carried to the four dials above by a revolving iron rod.

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The Wearing Powers of Steel Rails.

The Cincinnati *Times* has the following on this subject:

The continued depression of the iron interest, not only in this country but in Europe, is a subject for thoughtful consideration. The wonderful growth of the iron production of the world from 1835 to 1865 marked it emphatically as the iron age, and during that period was built almost our entire present system of railroads, covering over 73,000 miles of track, and requiring fully 7,300,000 tons of railroad iron in its construction. The annual wear and tear, estimated at about 10 per cent., would require 730,000 tons per annum of railroad iron. Since 1865 Bessemer steel rails have been growing in favor and decreasing in cost, and to-day the Bessemer plants of this country are capable of producing 350,000 tons of steel rails per annum. When it is remembered that each steel rail possesses fully seven times the life of an iron rail, it is to be wondered at that so many of our iron rail mills are changing their production to merchant bars? Every ton of Bessemer steel rails that has been put into the railroads of the country for the past ten years has possessed a wearing life, as compared to iron rails, as 70 to 10. It requires very little calculation to estimate the required production of steel rails, not only to cover the entire wear and tear of all our iron roads, but in a few years to replace our iron roads with steel rails.

When this is accomplished there will only be required 73,000 tons per annum to supply the wear and tear that in 1865 required 730,000 tons of iron. This will account in part for the decreased production of pig iron in the country for three years past. In 1872 there were produced 2,854,558 tons of pig iron; in 1873, 2,869,278 tons; and in 1874, 2,689,413 tons, a falling off of about 16 per cent. in the production of pig iron in two years. This was fully equalized by the low wear and tear of the steel rails that had gone into the railroads since 1865.

We are now entering on the steel age, and the iron men of the country must meet the question firmly, understanding not only that the market for railroad iron is almost at an end, but that whenever Bessemer steel supplants the use of wrought iron, it not only

requires less weight for a given result, but that, the life of steel being so much longer than iron, the wear and tear will be proportionately less. England, France and Belgium have already recognized the sovereignty of the new metal, "Bessemer," and are now changing their works to meet the emergency. Shall our iron and steel men, with their justly won laurels for the great production with the Bessemer plants, allow others to step in and rob them of their glory?

Iron Pipe for Water Supply.

It is encouraging to find that, notwithstanding the depression of our iron interests, there is no let up to the untiring industry, ingenuity and enterprise of our American manufacturers. After a large expenditure of time and money, success has crowned effort in the production of lap welded wrought iron seamless pipe of large diameter and all thicknesses, for water conduits. The practice, until recently, has been to use one large cast or riveted iron pipe as a main supply, but this practice has led to much inconvenience. Whole cities, both in Europe and this country, have occasionally been left without water in some of their districts, owing to the bursting or some other derangement at some point of this large main. This experience has led to the adoption of small mains, usually twelve to fourteen inches diameter, so arranged that should one fail no such calamity as that referred to can occur; also by the adoption of these smaller mains advantage may be taken of the seamless lap welded wrought iron pipe now made in these sizes by the National Tube Works Company, of Boston, Mass., and McKeesport, Pa., and which are in every way preferable to cast iron or riveted wrought iron, more durable, capable of greater pressure, quite as cheap, and more easily laid and repaired, from the simplicity and less number of the joints. We make these suggestions in the public interest, and shall be glad to find our city fathers have well considered this point; but the most important and the most puzzling to those desirous of taking the city water into their dwellings, etc., is, what is the best kind of pipe to be used for this purpose?—a question that has perplexed every house builder and property owner for years past, and here the trouble begins. Lead pipe has long since been condemned as dangerous to health; lead pipe lined with tin has been tried, but experience has left but a questionable record; cast and wrought iron is liable to corrosion; iron lined with porcelain or glass would be a splendid conduit, but is found impracticable in use. Galvanized iron, which on its first discovery bid fair to solve the problem, is found seriously wanting, and quite unsafe and unsuitable for water supply. Recently we have been much interested, having our attention drawn to a pipe enameled with a substance which appears to resist all these corrosive tendencies, and supply what has been so long needed, a durable, elastic, indestructible coating for both the inside and outside of the pipe, which neither alkalies nor acids, salts or sulphur, or any other known corrosive will touch, much less dissolve. Chemists of undoubted standing, and the practical experience of a large number of persons using it, confirm the hope that a way has been found to overcome a very serious difficulty, and a means found of supplying a want so universally felt wherever water is required for domestic uses. We recommend our readers to investigate the matter for themselves, and trust that our calling public attention to the matter will lead to public good.—Exchange.

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Will sell, on good terms, one of the best arranged House Furnishing Stores in Canada West, at St. Thomas. The premises are roomy, the buildings having been arranged especially for this business, with Tinsmith's workshops and benches complete for 12 men.

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St. Thomas is the head quarters of the Canadian Southern Railway Co. To a practical, energetic man this offers unusual advantages. Business well established and with good connection. Reason for disposal, present proprietors increasing their wholesale and retail Hardware Store next door to the above premises. Address

HORSMAN & HORSMAN,

Iron and Hardware Merchants,

Trade Report.

Office of THE IRON AGE.
WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 19, 1875.

The financial project commonly known as "the 3-65 scheme," is just now attracting a considerable measure of public attention, and as many of our readers are probably but imperfectly acquainted with the scheme and its proposed operations, we will discuss it briefly. As we understand, then, the advocates of this measure propose what amounts to practically unlimited inflation with practical repudiation of the interest bearing debt of the government. They propose that the interest bearing bonds of the government shall be redeemed as rapidly as possible in greenbacks. Concurrently, with this so-called redemption the government shall print an amount of bonds equivalent to the nominal value of the greenbacks issued, said bonds bearing interest—also in paper currency—at the rate of 3-65 per cent., or one cent per day on one hundred dollars. Any person having greenbacks for which he has no immediate use can take them to the Treasury in sums of not less than \$100, and exchange them for these 3-65 per cent. bonds. When he wants currency again he takes the bonds back to the Treasury and exchanges them for greenbacks. Thus the bonds and the greenbacks are supposed to continue redeeming each other forever; the volume of the currency in circulation is to regulate itself to the volume of trade automatically, so to speak. No doubt it would. But the scheme is, in our judgment, open to many and grave objections. In the first place the redemption of the interest bearing obligations of the United States in greenbacks would be an act of bad faith, closely resembling repudiation. The bonds of the government, while not specifying that they are redeemable in coin, were sold and purchased with that understanding. Mr. Chase so interpreted the law under which they were issued, and Congress so declared by a formal resolution, passed with a view to settling at rest any doubts in the minds of investors. Second, their redemption with greenbacks would put in circulation some fourteen or fifteen hundred millions of currency, for the ultimate redemption of which no provision is to be made. The new greenbacks are to be so many dollars—not promises to pay dollars. They represent nothing whatever. To say that they are good because based upon the credit of the government is meaningless, because if the government assumes no obligations in regard to them, it does not pledge its faith or state its credit. Third, the bonds which are to be made interchangeable with these greenbacks bear interest in the same kind of money with which they are interchangeable; and if this has no fixed basis of value, the bonds will be of value just as long as the public have confidence in this wild-cat paper, and no longer. The operations of this system of finance, if it were possible to carry it out, would be to first destroy the government's credit, by repudiating its coin obligations, flood the country with irredeemable paper, the value of which would quickly drop to zero, producing a condition of affairs quite the reverse of that general abundance and prosperity which is sought by the honest advocates of the scheme. It is not, however, likely to be carried into operation, even if it should be the successful political issue of the next Presidential campaign. The Supreme Court has already decided that the government cannot issue paper legal tenders, except as a war measure, and should Congress enact a law to carry the "3-65 scheme" into effect, it is probable the Supreme Court would promptly declare it unconstitutional. We fail to see that the plan has a single feature to recommend it to popular favor, or that it is either constitutional or practicable. Among our readers there are probably many honest and intelligent advocates of this summary method of settling the currency question. We respect their convictions, but would ask them to consider the subject in all its bearings. There is but one way in which the credit of the country can be maintained, and that is by the payment of the principal and interest of its debt in coin, and without a sound national credit no paper dollars issued by it, whether nominally redeemable or not, would have any value.

During the past week the financial markets have been dull and without interest, but there are encouraging indications of an increasing activity in general trade. Reports from the interior indicate that the damage to crops by the recent floods was less severe than was at first supposed. Money continues easy, and abundant to borrowers on call at 1½ to 2½ per cent. The discount rate on mercantile paper is 4 to 5½ per cent.

The gold market has been heavy during the week, and had the amount of cash coin in the market been larger, the premium must have declined. On Thursday the Treasury sold \$1,000,000, coin, at 113-77 @ 113-84. The following table shows the daily range of the premium:

	Highest.	Lowest.
Thursday.....	113½	113½
Friday.....	113½	113½
Saturday.....	113½	113½
Monday.....	113½	113½
Tuesday.....	113½	113½
Wednesday.....	113½	113½

Government bonds have been steady, closing at the quotations given below. Railway mortgages are strong and in good demand.

The stock market has been dull and irregular, but generally strong. The most active stocks were Western Union, Northwestern, Lake Shore, Ohio and Mississippi, Rock Island, and St. Paul. We give below the highest and lowest of to-day's quotations of active shares.

The last statement of the New York banks shows a loss of \$5,767,400 in total reserve, and of

\$4,910,000 in surplus reserve, the latter being now \$22,160,000. The following is a comparison of the averages for the past two weeks:

	Aug. 7.	Aug. 14.	Difference.
Loans.....	\$280,431,300	\$283,541,900	Inc. \$3,107,600
Specie.....	16,334,400	13,442,100	Dec. 2,892,300
Legal tenders.....	73,601,300	70,730,100	Dec. 2,871,200
Deposits.....	251,468,800	248,023,200	Dec. 3,445,600
Circulation.....	18,521,800	18,412,700	Dec. 109,100

The movements in foreign trade for the week are shown as follows:

	1875.	1874.	1873.
Total for week.....	\$6,570,442	\$5,352,936	\$8,843,937
Prev. reported.....	252,543,901	253,383,436	210,690,823
Since Jan. 1.....	\$259,514,343	\$258,646,362	\$210,594,700

Among the imports of general merchandise were articles valued as follows:

	Quant.	Value.
Anvils.....	192	\$1,851
Brass goods.....	31	3,157
Bismuth.....	4	1,276
Bronzes.....	49	10,544
Chains and anchors.....	100	4,308
Copper.....	804	804
Cutlery.....	188	70,329
Gas fixtures.....	3	3,106
Guns.....	109	19,144
Hardware.....	143	14,024
Iron, pig, tons.....	1,051	18,132
Iron, sheet, tons.....	17	2,119
Iron, cotton ties.....	560	9,403
Iron tubes.....	710	1,063
Iron ore, tons.....	325	499
Iron, other, tons.....	543	11,355
Lead, pigs.....	1,933	21,374
Metal goods.....	183	1,928
Nails.....	31	13,434
Needles.....	29	804
Old metal.....	7	1,426
Per. caps.....	7	1,841
Saddlery.....	25	21,505
Steel.....	1,347	38,909,243
Silverware.....	1	3,518,219
Tin, boxes.....	283,798	5,182
Tin, slabs, 731.....	31,267	5,161
Wire.....	272	131,674
Zinc.....	131,674	7,018

	1875.	1874.	1873.
Total for the week.....	\$1,572,320	\$1,036,904	\$1,036,904
Previously reported.....	61,036,904	61,036,904	61,036,904

Total since January 1, 1875.....\$62,609,424
Same time in 1874.....38,909,243
Same time in 1873.....3,518,219
Same time in 1872.....55,238,266

Government bonds at the close were quoted as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. Currency 6½.....	123	123½
U. S. 6s 1881, reg.....	120	121
U. S. 6s 1881, cou.....	121½	121½
U. S. 5-30 1884, reg.....	115½	116½
U. S. 5-30 1884, cou.....	115½	116½
U. S. 5-30 1885, reg.....	118½	119½
U. S. 5-30 1885, cou.....	118½	119½
U. S. 5-30 1886, reg.....	118½	119½
U. S. 5-30 1886, cou.....	118½	119½
U. S. 5-30 1887, reg.....	120½	121½
U. S. 5-30 1887, cou.....	120½	121½
U. S. 5-30 1888, reg.....	121	122
U. S. 5-30 1888, cou.....	121	122
U. S. 10-40 reg.....	114½	115½
U. S. 10-40 cou.....	114½	115½
U. S. 5s 1881, reg.....	116	116½
U. S. 5s 1881, cou.....	116½	117½

The following were the highest and lowest prices of stocks to-day:

	Highest.	Lowest.
N. Y. Cen. & Hudson Consolidated.....	104½	104
Lake Shore.....	60½	59½
Rock Island.....	108½	108
Del. Lack. & Western.....	121½	121
Michigan Central.....	63	62½
Cleveland and Pittsburgh.....	90	89
Wabash.....	6½	6¼
Western Union Telegraph.....	81½	81
Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph.....	21	20½
Northwestern.....	49½	49
Ill. & Miss. Valley.....	36½	36
Millwaukee & St. Paul.....	37½	37
Pacific Mail.....	62½	62
Erie.....	15½	15
Ohio & Mississippi.....	19½	19
Union Pacific.....	73	72½
Missouri Pacific.....	48½	48
Hannibal & St. Joseph.....	24½	24
Mariposa.....	11	10½
Adams Express.....	102	101

GENERAL HARDWARE.

Trade continues to improve and the number of buyers, especially from the West, at present in this city, gives our market something of the appearance it used to present at this season when trade was in a more normal condition than it is now. Buyers, as a rule, are acting with extreme caution, and the orders placed, although representing the usual assortments, fall far short of the quantities which custom has led manufacturers to expect as the reasonable requirements of their customers at the commencement of the season. Many buyers expect to duplicate their orders very soon, but from present appearances, the hand-to-mouth system is likely to prevail during the balance of this year. This plan of doing business, although it may not be as satisfactory as the old method of large orders, few and far between, must commend itself on the ground of prudence and safety, and will tend to augment rather than reduce the aggregate of a season's consumption.

The reduction in the price of Wood Screws by the American Screw Company, which was looked for on the 15th inst., will take place September 1.

The market for Foreign Hardware is void of special interest; prices are firm and unchanged, and an improved demand is reported.

There is little if any change in the condition of the Nail market, and we repeat the quotations of last week, viz., 10d., in large or small lots; \$3-20 @ \$3-25 net.

The Greenfield Tool Company, Greenfield, Mass., manufacturers of Planes, Plane Irons, &c., have added to their specialties the manufacture of Extra Plated Table Cutlery. At present they are making only the best quality of Table Knives, but as soon as their facilities are completed the assortment will be increased. They will furnish dealers with Knives ready for plating, and will also finish for the trade warranted plated goods of best quality and finish.

The following revised discounts have been established by the manufacturers of Bellows in this city:

Common Bellows.....	dis. 15 per cent.
Extra and Pittsburgh Pattern.....	dis. 15 per cent.
Hand Bellows.....	dis. 10 per cent.

The Gilbert & Bennett Manufacturing Company, Georgetown, Conn., and 273 Pearl street, New York, manufacturers of Iron Wire and Wire goods, etc., have adopted for a trade mark a Phoenix, surrounded by a scroll containing their name and address, together with the date of their establishment, 1818. A copy of their trade mark will be found in advertisement on the 2nd page.

In our abstract of patents, on page 5 of our paper of last week, reference was made to a new Tonguing and Grooving Plane. The Stanley Rule and Level Company are the owners of the patent, and have already commenced manufacturing the tool. Our attention has been directed to a sample, and we must pronounce it one of the finest specimens of ingenuity and simplicity, in the combination of two distinct tools in one, which we have yet seen. The stock of the tool is made of iron, and two cutters are placed at a suitable distance apart to use for tonguing. The guide, which is hung on a pivot at its center, may be easily swung around, end for end, thereby covering one of the cutters and converting the tool into a grooving plane. We shall be able to quote a price for this tool next week.

H. K. Drake, No. 31 Chambers street, agent for the Birmingham Shovel Company, has issued the following list for their Solid Cast Steel Shovels and Scoops, the regular discount from which is 15 per cent. This list shows an increased assortment of these goods. H. K. Drake is also agent for the American Shovel Company, of Brooklyn, N. Y., whose list will be found below:

PRICE LIST OF SHOVELS AND SCOOPS MANUFACTURED BY THE BIRMINGHAM SHOVEL COMPANY AND THE AMERICAN SHOVEL COMPANY.

	No.	Best C. S. Sq. Point, Long or D.H. die, Bl'k.	Per doz.
1.	1	Best C. S. Sq. Point, Long or D.H. die, Bl'k.	\$14-50
2.	2	" " " " " " " " " " " "	15-50
3.	3	" " " " " " " " " " " "	16-50
4.	4	" " " " " " " " " " " "	17-50
5.	5	" " " " " " " " " " " "	18-50
6.	6	" " " " " " " " " " " "	19-50
7.	7	" " " " " " " " " " " "	20-50
8.	8	" " " " " " " " " " " "	21-50

Polished Shovels, 50c. extra per dozen; Polished Scoops, \$1 extra per dozen.

The American Shovel Company.

Shovels.

	No.	Best Steel, Sq. Point, Long or D.H. die, Bl'k.	Per doz.
1.	1	Best Steel, Sq. Point, Long or D.H. die, Bl'k.	\$13-00
2.	2	" " " " " " " " " " " "	14-00
3.	3	" " " " " " " " " " " "	15-00
4.	4	" " " " " " " " " " " "	16-00
5.	5	" " " " " " " " " " " "	17-00
6.	6	" " " " " " " " " " " "	18-00
7.	7	" " " " " " " " " " " "	19-00
8.	8	" " " " " " " " " " " "	20-00

Polished Shovels, 50c. extra per dozen.

Bradford & Anthony, Boston, Mass., have issued an illustrated price list showing the various styles of Winslow's Common and Club Skates, and Forbes' Patent Acme Club Skates, for both of which they are sole agents in this country. We print below their descriptive list and discounts for these goods for the season of 1875-6, and refer our readers to their advertisement on the 24th page, in which they illustrate Forbes' Patent Acme Club and Winslow's All Clamp Club Skates:

Winslow's Skates.

No. 95. Sizes, 7 to 11 inches.

A durable skate, so constructed that the woods will not split. Price 75 cents per pair.

No. 100. Sizes, 7½ to 10½ inches.

The Runners and Heel Screws are set into a Brass Thimble, making a very strong Skate. Price, 85 cents per pair.

No. 140. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Rocker.

This Skate has a Club Pattern Blade. The woods will not split. The Heel and Toe Screws fasten the woods and runners together, through Brass Thimbles. Price, \$1 per pair.

Solid Runner Skates.

No. 300. Sizes, 7 to 11 inches.

The Heel Screw passes through a Brass Thimble, which greatly strengthens the Skate, and prevents the wood splitting. Price, 95 cents per pair.

No. 345. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Half Rocker.

Varnished Beech Woods, Solid Runners, fastened in a secure manner to the woods by a Brass Thimble—a device which ingeniously and effectually prevents the breaking or splitting of the woods. Heel Screw. Price, \$1-25 per pair.

No. 350. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Rocker.

Varnished Beech Woods, Solid Runners, finished in same manner and fastened with Brass Thimbles, as in No. 345. Price, \$1-25 per pair.

No. 395. Sizes, 8 to 11½ inches—Half Rocker.

Solid Cast Steel Blades, French Polished Beech Woods, fastened with Brass Thimbles. Price, \$1-75 per pair.

No. 390. Sizes, 8 to 11½ inches—Rocker.

Solid Cast Steel Blades, French Polished Beech Woods, fastened with Brass Thimbles. Price, \$1-75 per pair.

No. 335. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Half Rocker.

Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, Varnished Beech Woods, Screw Heel, Runners fastened by Brass Thimbles, effectually securing the wood against splitting, making a strong and stylish Skate. Price, \$3 per pair.

No. 380. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Rocker.

Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, same quality and finish as No. 335. A most desirable pattern. Price, \$2-00 per pair.

No. 455. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Half Rocker.

Polished Beech Woods, Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, Brass Center, Heel and Toe Plate, Runners fastened with Brass Thimbles, making one of the strongest Skates, and embracing all the good points required. Price, \$3-00 per pair.

No. 460. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Rocker.

Polished Beech Woods, Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, Brass Center, Heel and Toe Plate, Runners fastened with Brass Thimbles. Price, \$3-00 per pair.

No. 665. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Black Ebony Finished Half Rocker.

Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, German Silver Center, Heel and Toe Plates. Price, \$4-00 per pair.

No. 670. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Black Ebony Finished Rocker.

Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, German Silver Center, Heel and Toe Plates. Price, \$4-00 per pair.

No. 675. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Rosewood Half Rocker.

Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, German Silver Center, Heel and Toe Plates. Price, \$4-00 per pair.

No. 680. Sizes, 8 to 11 inches—Rosewood Rocker.

Solid Welded, Hardened Steel Blades, German Silver Center, Heel and Toe Plates. Price, \$4-00 per pair.

Gent's Frame Skate.

No. 275. Lengths, 7 to 11 inches—Steel Blade, Standard.

French Polished Beech Woods, Screw Heel, Strapped complete, with Broad Toe Straps and Narrow Heel Straps. Price, all Strapped, \$4-25 per pair.

No. 400. Lengths, 8 to 11 inches.

A stylish pattern for gentlemen who prefer a strapped Skate for security to the foot, rather than the Clamp Fastening. Cast Steel Runners, Polished Beech Woods, Brass Toe, Heel and Cross Plate. Price, without Straps, \$2-75 per pair.

Ladies' Skates.

No. 270. Sizes, 7 to 10 inches. Price, \$1-25 per pair.

No. 270. Sizes, 7½ to 10 inches.

Ladies' Skate. New Pattern. Price, \$1-50 per pair. No. 274. Lengths, 7 to 10 inches—Ladies' Standard, Frame, Steel Blades.

French Polished Beech Woods, Strapped complete, with Brass Heel Bands and Mortised Toe Straps, Patent Buckles, Black Leather Trimmings. Price, \$2-25 per pair.

No. 272. Sizes, 7 to 10 inches—Ladies' Standard, Frame, Steel Blades.

French Polished Beech Woods, Strapped complete, with Brass Heel Bands and Mortised Broad Toe Straps, Patent Buckles, Black Leather Trimmings. Runners either grooved or flat. Price, \$2-10 per pair.

No. 276. Lengths, 7 to 10 inches—Ladies' Frame, Standard, Steel Blades.

French Polished Beech Woods, Strapped complete, with Silver-plated Heel Bands and Mortised Broad Toe Straps, Patent Buckles, Russet Leather Trimmings. Price, \$2-40 per pair.

No. 280. Lengths, 7 to 10 inches—Ladies' Frame, Standard, Steel Blades.

French Polished Beech Woods, Strapped complete, with Silver-plated Heel Bands and Mortised Broad Toe Straps, Patent Buckles, Russet Leather Trimmings. Price, \$2-50 per pair.

No. 382. Sizes, 8 to 10 inches—Ladies' Rink Skate, Polished Beech Woods, Cast Steel Runners, Black or Russet Leather Straps, Patent Buckles. Price, \$3 per pair.

No. 384. Sizes, 8 to 10 inches. Ladies' Rink Skate, Ebony Woods, Cast Steel Runners, Silver Trimmings, Black or Russet Leather Straps. Price, \$3-50 per pair.

Winslow's New York Club Skates.

The New York Club A.

Blind Steel Tops, Runners made from American Stock, and is the Cheapest Club Skate offered to the trade. Price, \$2-75 per pair.

The New York Club B.

Made of Imported Steel, extra tempered Blades, Blind Foot and Heel Plates. Price, \$3-50 per pair.

The New York Club C.

Electro Nickel Plated, extra bright finished Steel. Warranted in all its parts. Most thorough and complete Club Skate ever put in the market, and sold at the low price of \$5 per pair.

Winslow's All Clamp Club Skates, A. C.

A New Improved Skate, with Heel and Sole Clamp Fastening. Price, \$4-25 per pair.

Forbes' Patent Acme Club Skates.

No. 5.

This is the cheapest Skate. The Runners are made of all Steel and not hardened, and the working parts are equally reliable with the best, although not so well finished. Price, \$4 per pair.

No. 7.

Welded Steel and Iron Runners of the best quality, and thoroughly hardened and tempered, nicely finished in handsome design. Exceedingly simple in construction, substantial and reliable in every particular. Price, \$5 per pair.

No. 10.

Electro Nickel Plated; same quality as No. 7, Nickel Plated. This improves their appearance, retaining their bright finish and insures freedom from rust. Price, \$7 per pair.

No. 12.

Electro Silver Plated; same quality as No. 7, Silver Plated, making a very handsome appearance. Price

The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company have reduced the rents of their workmen from twenty to thirty per cent., at and near Mahanoy.

Unarmored Ships.

After England has got an immense fleet of powerful armored vessels, and spent an enormous amount of money upon them, the English public are periodically seized with a fear that armor is not the best thing after all for seagoing ships. Just now the English newspapers are suffering from a severe attack of this agony. Mr. L. Brassey, M. P., has recently published a pamphlet on the subject, and one of our exchanges says of it: "We cannot but allow it to be both valuable in itself and evidently carefully written. Mr. Brassey very rightly starts with the assumption that the construction of an armored fleet does not make unarmored ships the less necessary. Many naval critics contend that even thin armor is better than none at all, on account of the moral support which it is supposed to afford."

In spite of her treaty against privateering, Great Britain greatly fears that it would be a word and a blow on the declaration of war, "and that as our mercantile marine would be at once attacked by an enemy's privateers, it is absolutely necessary that we should be well provided ourselves with cruisers able not only to contend with but to drive hostile vessels from the seas, and to perform what has happily been called the duty of ocean police."

Ironclads are indeed able to keep the sea for a considerable time, and could even, if it were necessary to employ them on such a service, be used for convoy duty. It would certainly be a great waste of material to use them for such a purpose; they would be useful merely for defense, since their deficiency in point of speed would render them useless for offensive warfare; and that offense is as necessary as mere defense, was admitted by Admiral Porter before the committee of Congress, for when speaking of the United States navy at the commencement of the civil war he confessed that the ships they had could catch nothing, all the ironclads being only suitable for harbor defense or attack on forts.

Mr. Brassey thinks that in case of a war with Great Britain or France that the powers of the United States would be exerted against the commerce of Great Britain and her neighbors, as the case might be; and, indeed, all former maritime wars have shown that this is the most vulnerable point at which to strike a blow, for, as Baron Grivel, of the French service, remarked, in the event of war their aim would not be to contend with the "20,000 guns of our fighting navy," but to pursue the "50,000 merchant ships" which are continually engaged in transporting the wealth of England over the watery plain. Mr. Brassey, therefore, assumes that with both France or America the principal object would be to destroy by means of a privateering war the great source of our national industry, and thus to bring on a state of commercial and financial suffering.

To this we might reply that this is probably the result of a guilty conscience. Alabamas and Shenandoahs are even fresher in the memory of foreigners than in ours. The indemnity touched the sorest point of England's national honor, her pocket, and she fears the subject in any form.

Starting with the assumption that privateering is the method by which war will be carried on upon the ocean, he comes to the conclusion that large ships are not what are wanted, and turns his attention to the ships necessary to contend with merchant steamers converted into fast cruisers. The consideration of this question has led him to arrive at the conclusion that it is not large ships that we want; for, taking it for granted that the privateers with which we shall have to deal will be mail steamers converted into lightly armed men-of-war, he considers it is not necessary to build, at an enormous cost, special vessels, when vessels like the Cunard steamers, which he considers would be much more efficient for the same service, could be employed. Mr. Brassey affirms that though the Cunard steamers cannot attain the extreme speed of the Raleigh, still they can maintain a speed of 14 knots for a much longer period, and in coal carrying capacity are infinitely superior.

During the "late unpleasantness" in this country a large number of merchant steamers were converted into light cruisers, but the extra weight put into them, and the increase in draught, generally rendered them slow, and, to quote from an English paper, "all things considered, then, we confess we do not feel by any means confident that it would be so easy to convert an ocean steamer into a war ship as it is we sometimes imagine."

England, it seems, has made the mistake of building high speed vessels of very large tonnage. In a debate in Parliament, in 1866, Mr. Graves said that "we wanted swift handy vessels of moderate size, capable of remaining at sea twelve months under canvas, and of steaming at a high rate of speed on an emergency."

Sir Spencer Robinson, in speaking on a paper by a Mr. Barnaby, in 1874, before the Institution of Naval Architects, said "that, although he admitted that speed was an excessive element of cost, yet it was the very object, aim, and purpose for which small unarmored ships were built, and it was with a feeling of anxiety and hesitation that he saw brought forward the notion that a speed of 13½ knots is the greatest speed which small unarmored vessels are intended to aim at."

For conveying and privateering a high speed is necessary, and while merchant steamers may in many respects be very fair vessels for converting into cruisers, still, few, if any, of them have speed sufficient to enable them to be of any considerable practical value. One English gentleman thinks that half a knot greater speed than the fastest mail steamer is sufficient to enable a vessel to be used for the interruption of mail service and similar service. In other words, he considers 15 to 15½ knots the extreme speed necessary for ships designed to

protect and interrupt commerce; and he thinks, therefore, that if we wish to keep within moderate dimensions, we should be satisfied with the speed strictly necessary to disturb an enemy's commerce. Still, he admits that the task of capturing the armed cruisers of the enemy would devolve on ships of extreme speed. Mr. Brassey gives the history of the Wampanoag scare, and especially draws to it the attention of those officers who, he says, in their excess of zeal for the efficiency of their own service, seem disposed to require that every ship built for the British navy should be without a rival in every quality which can contribute to the efficiency of a ship of war.

In commenting upon this, one of our foreign exchanges makes the following comments: "It is true that the reports of the power and speed expected to be obtained out of the American corvettes of the Wampanoag class, which induced the English government to propose laying down seven ships like the Inconstant, proved to be much overstated, and, therefore, our naval administrators are accused of having been most unnecessarily alarmed. Had it, however, turned out exactly opposite, and while all their hopes for qualities, had been realized in the case of the American corvettes, we had remained inactive, and not provided ourselves with a single vessel able to cope with them, there would rightly have been no end to the obloquy with which our Admiralty would have been covered for allowing us to become so unprepared to hold our own on the high seas."

After all that has been said on both sides for and against armored vessels, it is not improbable, in view of the development of the torpedo service, that armor on ships, like the armor upon men, will be increased in thickness to no purpose, and at last thrown away entirely, and ships, like men, go into battle protected only by their skill and speed.

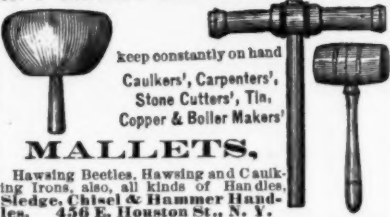
Obituary.—Mr. Frank Cowan, of Greensburg, Pa., editor of Frank Cowan's paper, sends us an announcement of what he is pleased to term his "Editorial demise." His paper will be published no more; or, if at all, by another proprietor, and under another name. We frankly confess we are sorry to hear it. Mr. Cowan is a gentleman of very genial temper, and eccentric in everything. This paper was a good national joke, from the name down, and, if not always brilliantly witty, was generally entertaining. May it rest in peace, awaiting the resurrection, which is hinted at as likely to take place within a few weeks. Mr. Cowan will practice law at Greensburg.

Five or six machines for the manufacture of coal from coal dust are being manufactured at the Harrisburg Foundry and Machine Works.

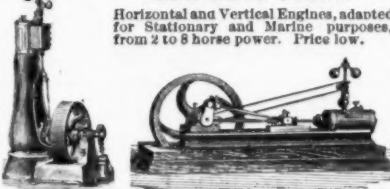


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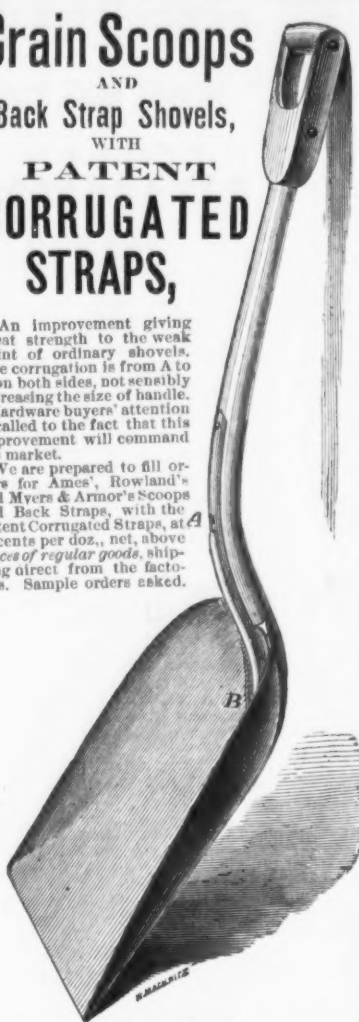
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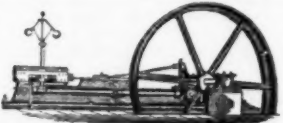
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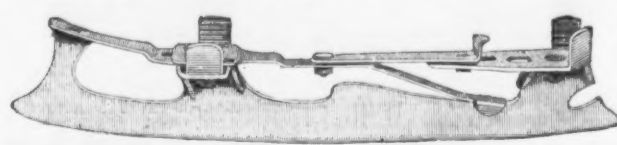
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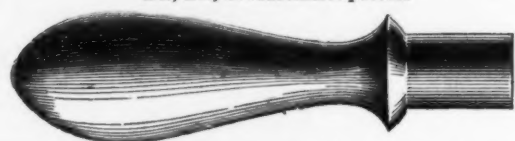
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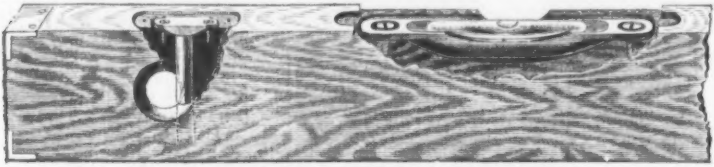
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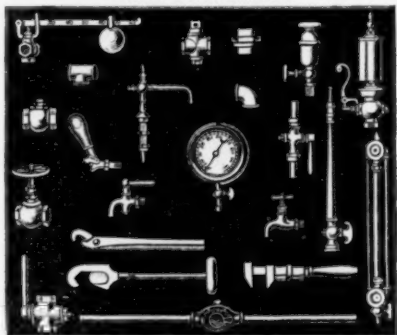
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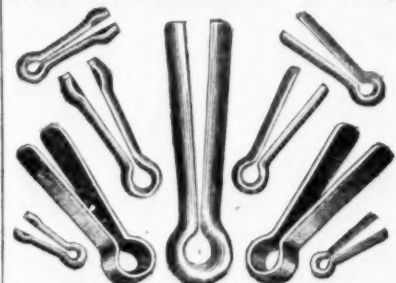
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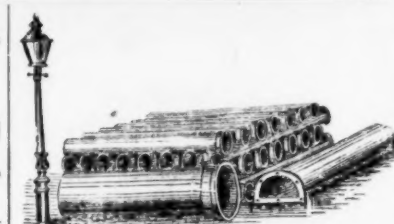
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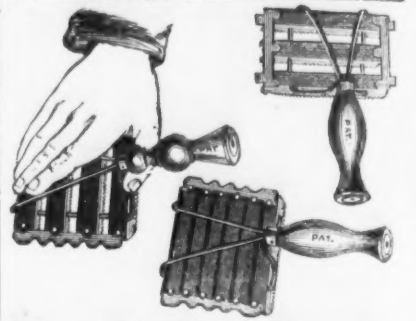
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Spikes, R. R. &c., Manufacturers of
The Iron, G. Warren, Ohio.
Spoons, Makers of
Kann & Sons Mfg. Co., Baltimore, Md.
Spring
Rand Wind & Harvey, Frankfort, Phila.
Squares, Steel and Iron, Makers of
Crosby & Bessing, Albany, N. Y.
Steam Pumps, etc., Manufacturers of
Car A. E. Cortlandt, N. Y.
Foster & Jamison, 13 Adams, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Knowles Steam Pump Works, Warren, Mass.
Steel Castings, Manufacturers of
Jones Alonzo L., 51 St. 4th, Phila.
Richards & Placé, 26 Ledger Place, Philadelphia.
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Flange Stanley G. & Co., 218 & 219 N. 9rd, Phila.
The Detroit Steel Cast. Co., Evellina and Levy Streets Philadelphia.
Steel Importers
Allen John, N. Y.
Cocker Burn, Sheffield, England.
Holson Francis & Son, 37 John, N. Y.
Tracy & Co., 24 John, N. Y.
Moss V. W., 80 John, N. Y.
Nicolson John & Sons, Chambers, N. Y.
Anderson Bros. & Co., 16 Cliff, N. Y.
Anderson Geo. & Co., 15 John, N. Y.
The Detroit Steel Cast. Co., 218 Duane, N. Y.
Wardlaw S. C. & Co., 95 John, N. Y.
Hawkersville, Erie, Pa., & Co., 72 John, N. Y.
Steel Machinery
Anderson & Woods Pittsburgh
Petersen & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.
Cleveland Rolling Mill Co., Cleveland, O.
Gautier D. G. & Co., Jersey City, N. J.
Ford & Kimball, 24 Broadway, N. Y.
Grassold John A. & Co., Troy, N. Y.
Insey, Wells & Co., Pittsburgh.
Rice & Reed, 100 West 1st and 2nd, Phila., Pa.
Miller, Barr & Packin, Pittsburg.
Rowland Wm. & Harvey, Frankfort Phila.
Singer & Co., 100 West 1st and 2nd, Phila., Pa.
Singer, Nimick & Co., Pittsburgh.
Step Ladders, Makers of
Hutchinson J. R. & Co., Allegheny, Pa.
Stop Gates (Water Gate &c.), Makers of
Burlington J. R. & Co., Allegheny, Pa.
Stoves
Black Crusher Co., New Haven, Ct.
Stoves, Makers of
Buckley & Co., Troy, N. Y.
Perry & Co., Albany, N. Y.
Stove Boards, Manufacturers of
The National Stove Polish Co., 71 Pearl, Buff.
Stove Polish, Makers of
Joseph Dixon Crigible Co., Jersey City, N. J.
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Watson & Co., Buffalo, N. Y., Bedford Mass.
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Burk & Co., 31 Peck Slip, N. Y.
Germer & Co., 100 West 1st and 2nd, Phila., Pa.
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Tacks
American Tack Co., 117 Chambers, N. Y.
Dimbar, Hobart & Whidden, 116 Chambers, N. Y.
Field A. & Sons, Taunton, Mass.
Greenfield & Co., 100 West 1st and 2nd, Phila., Pa.
Loring Samuel, Plymouth, Mass.
Sheldon Co., Birmingham, Ct.
Timber Cutting Machines
Brittain E. B., 118 Bergen St., Newark, N. J.
Tube Expansors
Anderson Richard, 21 Columbia, N. Y.
Valves, Gate Water and Steam
Chapman Valve Co., 75 & 77 Kilby, Boston.
Robert Henry, Newark, N. J.
Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co., Troy, N. Y.
Vises
Jackson Vise Co., 75 Beekman, N. Y.
Fisher & Norris Trenton, N. J.
Trenton Vise & Tool Works, 101 & 103 Duane, N. Y.
Wilson Mfg. Co., Chambers, N. Y.
Water Motor
Backus Bros., Newark, N. J.
Schlerhoff H., 21 Exchange Place, Jersey City, N. Y.
Weighing Machines
White Lead, Manufacturers of
Brinkman White Lead Co., 80 Maiden Lane, N. Y.
Roberts Henry, Newark, N. J.
Jewett John & Sons, 182 Front, N. Y.
Lewis John T. & Bros., 231 S. Front, Phila., Pa.
Valler W. M., Cleveland, O.
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Hammond W. S., Lewisberry, Pa.
Gilbert & Bennett Mfg. Co., 273 Pearl, N. Y.
Gretnis George & Co., Holyoke, Mass.
Robert Henry, Newark, N. J.
Townsend W. P. & Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Washington & Moon Mfg. Co., Worcester, Mass.
Walker W., Cleveland, N. J.
Wire Goods, Manufacturers of
Barman E. T., Detroit, Mich.
Howard & Morse, 46 Fulton, N. Y.
Parke Sam'l & Co., Betherside, Ct.
Wire Rope, Iron and Steel, Makers of
Hazen Mfg. Co., Worcester, Mass.
Jobbing's John A. Sons, Trenton, N. J.
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E. T. Barman, 27 Baydock, Phila.
Wood Working Machinery
Metzger, Margeland & Co., Hamilton, O.
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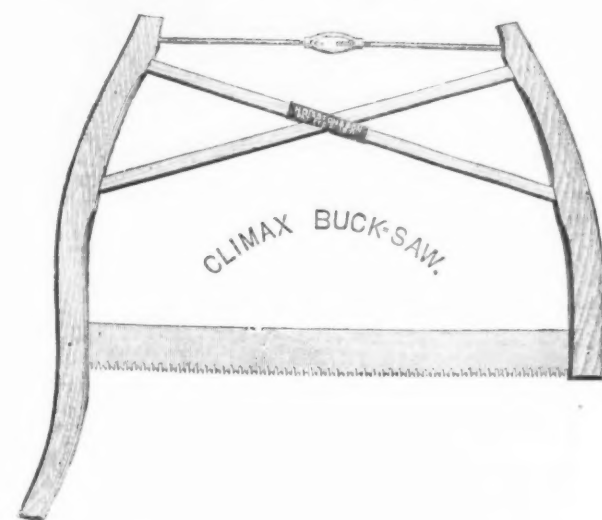
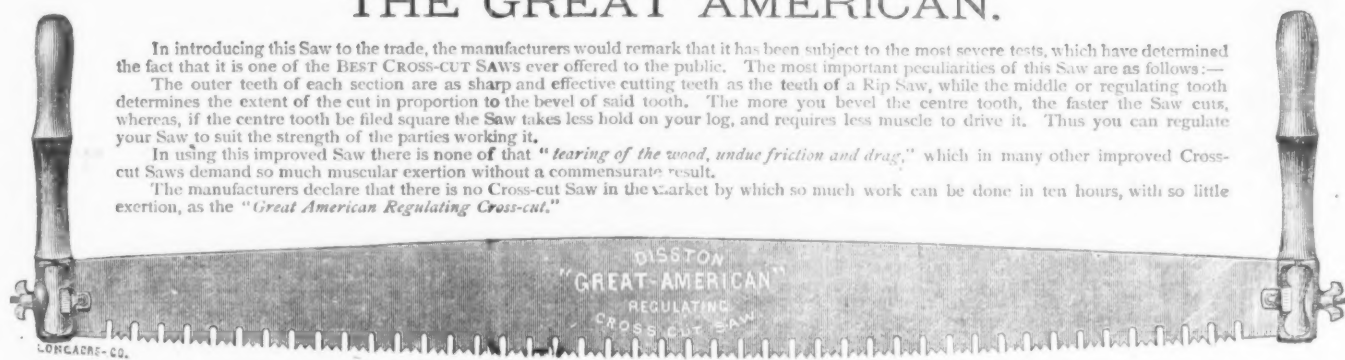
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In using this improved Saw there is none of that "tearing of the wood, undue friction and drag," which in many other improved Cross-cut Saws demand so much muscular exertion without a commensurate result.

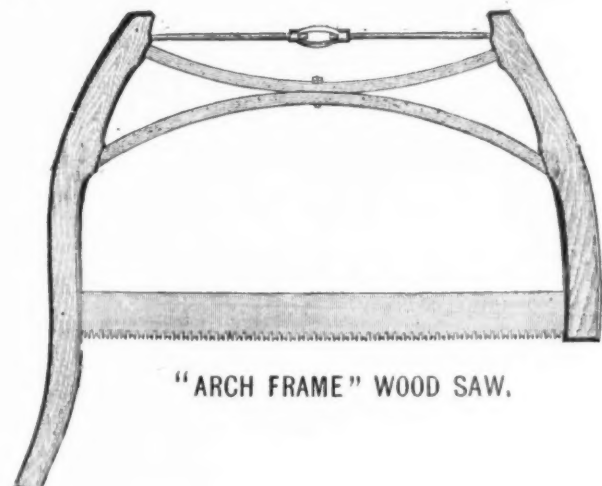
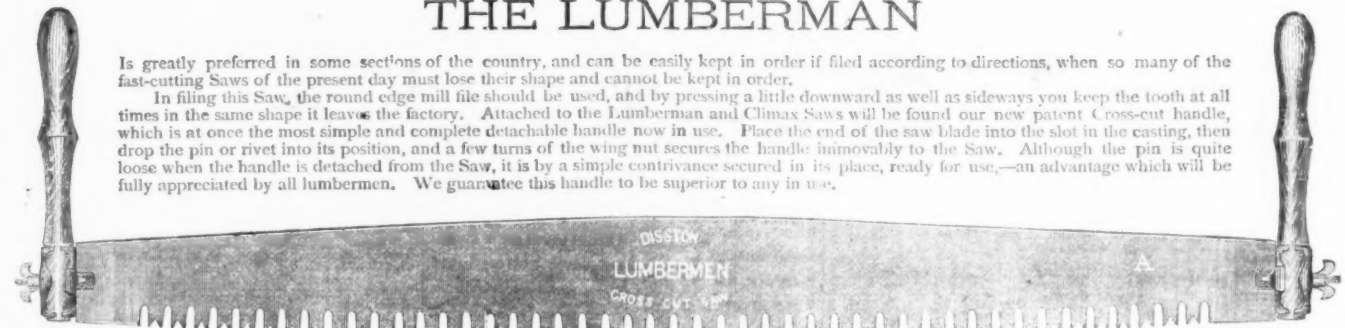
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THE LUMBERMAN

Is greatly preferred in some sections of the country, and can be easily kept in order if filed according to directions, when so many of the fast-cutting Saws of the present day must lose their shape and cannot be kept in order.

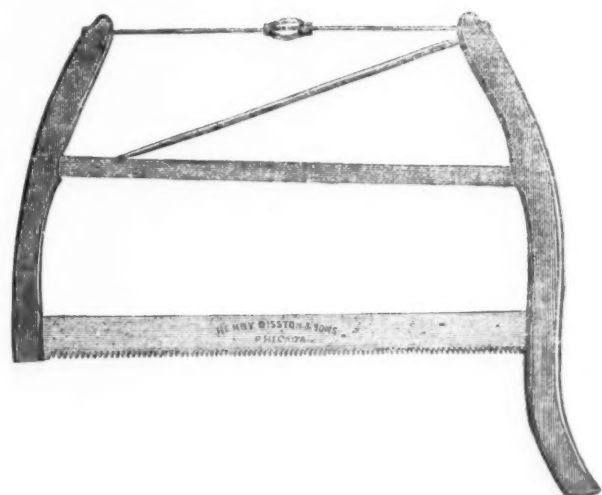
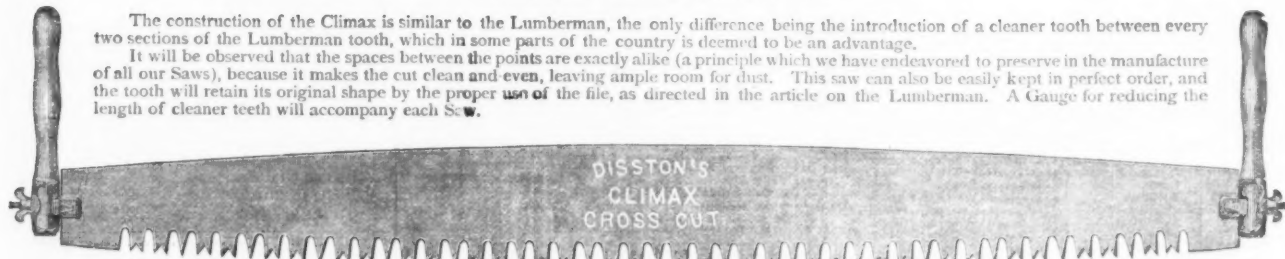
In filing this Saw, the round edge mill file should be used, and by pressing a little downward as well as sideways you keep the tooth at all times in the same shape it leaves the factory. Attached to the Lumberman and Climax Saws will be found our new patent Cross-cut handle, which is at once the most simple and complete detachable handle now in use. Place the end of the saw blade into the slot in the casting, then drop the pin or rivet into its position, and a few turns of the wing nut secures the handle immovably to the Saw. Although the pin is quite loose when the handle is detached from the Saw, it is by a simple contrivance secured in its place, ready for use,—an advantage which will be fully appreciated by all lumbermen. We guarantee this handle to be superior to any in use.



THE CLIMAX.

The construction of the Climax is similar to the Lumberman, the only difference being the introduction of a cleaner tooth between every two sections of the Lumberman tooth, which in some parts of the country is deemed to be an advantage.

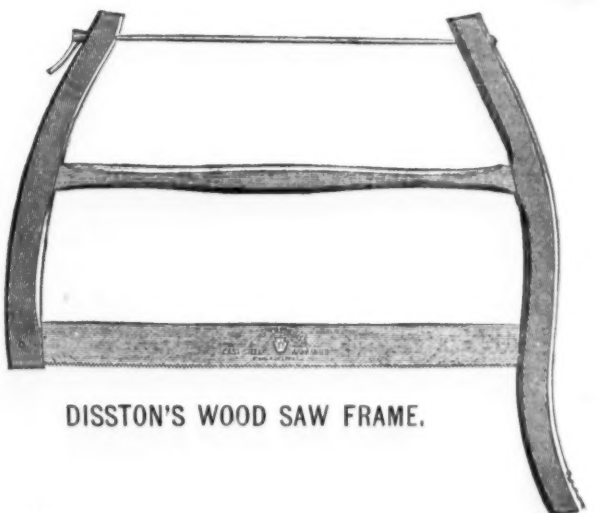
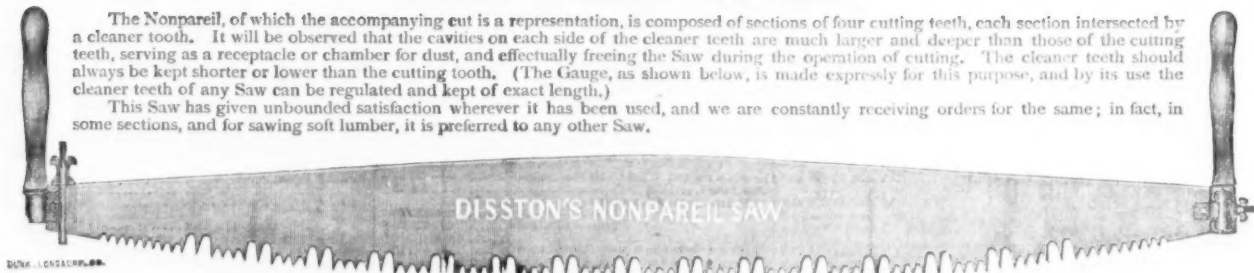
It will be observed that the spaces between the points are exactly alike (a principle which we have endeavored to preserve in the manufacture of all our Saws), because it makes the cut clean and even, leaving ample room for dust. This saw can also be easily kept in perfect order, and the tooth will retain its original shape by the proper use of the file, as directed in the article on the Lumberman. A Gauge for reducing the length of cleaner teeth will accompany each Saw.



THE NONPAREIL.

The Nonpareil, of which the accompanying cut is a representation, is composed of sections of four cutting teeth, each section intersected by a cleaner tooth. It will be observed that the cavities on each side of the cleaner teeth are much larger and deeper than those of the cutting teeth, serving as a receptacle or chamber for dust, and effectually freeing the Saw during the operation of cutting. The cleaner teeth should always be kept shorter or lower than the cutting tooth. (The Gauge, as shown below, is made expressly for this purpose, and by its use the cleaner teeth of any Saw can be regulated and kept of exact length.)

This Saw has given unbounded satisfaction wherever it has been used, and we are constantly receiving orders for the same; in fact, in some sections, and for sawing soft lumber, it is preferred to any other Saw.



GAUGE FOR REGULATING CLEANING-TEETH.

The Cleaning-Teeth of all Saws should be somewhat shorter than the Cutting-Teeth, and, although shortened, they should be of uniform length throughout. The inner edge of the Gauge rests on the points of the Cutting-Teeth, the Cleaning-Teeth projecting through the opening in center of Gauge. Reduce the projecting points by means of a File, until arrested by the edges of the Gauge, which is made of hardened steel. Thus Tooth after Tooth can be rapidly and correctly reduced to an even length by any unskilled operator.



Showing the Gauge in Position for Filing the Cleaner-Tooth.

Callable	\$5 00	5 50	6 00	6 50	dis 45
Razor Straps.		11	13	15	teeth.
Evans' Emerson (B. F. Badger or C. Emerson)					dis 56 10
Imitation Emerson					do 25
Hunt's					do 40
Torrey's					do 10 10
Saunders'					net 10 25
Waverly Old Cut					do 20 15
Iron and Tinned					do 20 15
In Bulk					do 12 45
Copper Rivet					do 10 10
Nos. 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15					do 10 10
Pat. 54c 56c					do 10 10
Rivet Sets.					do 10 10
Rods.					do 10 10
Star.					do 10 10
Star and Ocean Patent.					do 10 10
Rollers.					do 10 10
Bar.					do 10 10
Novelty.					do 10 10
Hoops.					do 10 10
Manila.					do 10 10
Manila (S. J. Burns)					do 10 10
Sisal.					do 10 10
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Ropes.					do 10 10
Chapin's					do 10 10
Standard					do 10 10
Stephens'					do 10 10
Pat. 54c 56c					do 10 10
Mad Irons.					do 10 10
From 10 to 100					do 10 10
Self-Heating					do 10 10
Pat. 54c 56c					do 10 10
Hand Pans.					do 10 10
Becker & Adamson's Flint, 10 to 15					do 10 10
Perforated Cross Cut, all kinds					do 10 10
New England, same list as B. & A. Flint					do 10 10
H. B. & M. Roman Flint					do 10 10
Brush Cord.					do 10 10
Common					do 10 10
Patent					do 10 10
Silver Lake, Bucking Flax					do 10 10
White Cotton					do 10 10
Drab Cotton					do 10 10
Sash Cords.					do 10 10
Clark's, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10					do 10 10
Ferguson's					do 10 10
Walker's					do 10 10
New England					do 10 10
Pat. 54c 56c					do 10 10
Sausage Stuffers or Fillers.					do 10 10
Miles'					do 10 10
Pat. 54c 56c					do 10 10
Draw Cut No. 4					do 10 10
Saw Frames					do 10 10
Saw Cuts					do 10 10
Saws.					do 10 10
Spear & Jackson's old pattern					do 10 10
John Spear					do 10 10
Am. Saw Co.					do 10 10
Inserted Tooth					do 10 10
All else					do 10 10
Diagonal					do 10 10
Mill					do 10 10
Cross Cut					do 10 10
H. W. Pease's Circulars					do 10 10
Other kinds					do 10 10
Wm. McNeice's Patent Pole Pruning Saw					do 10 10
E. M. Boynton's Lightning					do 10 10
Wheeler & Clement's					do 10 10
Livingston's Butcher and Kitchen					do 10 10
Pat. 54c 56c					do 10 10
Saw Sets.					do 10 10
Stillman's Genuine					do 10 10
Alford's					do 10 10
Hart's					do 10 10
Nash's					do 10 10
Hemus & Call's					do 10 10
Common					do 10 10
Loach's					do 10 10
Hatch, Counter					do 10 10
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Turnbull's					do 10 10
Brown's					do 10 10
Howe's					do 10 10
Chaffin's Grocers					do 10 10
Universal Family					do 10 10
Scale Beams					do 10 10
No. 10 to 120 lbs.					do 10 10
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Britannia, Boardman's, new list, dis 50 55
 Rogers & Bro., A. I., dis 50 55
 Derby Silver Co., dis 50 55
 Holmes, Booth & Hayden, dis 50 55
 Nickel Silver Co., dis 50 55
 German Silver, dis 50 55
 Tin (P. S. & W.), dis 50 55

Stamps and Dies.
 Stone.
 Hindustan Stone, dis 50 55
 Slips, dis 50 55
 Sand Stone, dis 50 55
 Washita Stone, dis 50 55
 Slips, dis 50 55
 Arkansas Stone, dis 50 55
 Grindstones, Family, J. F. Green & Bro., dis 50 55

Stove Polish.
 Joseph Dixon, dis 50 55
 Gold Medal, dis 50 55

Squares.
 Steel, dis 50 55; full cases, dis 50 55
 Iron, dis 50 55; full cases, dis 50 55
 Nickel Plated, dis 50 55
 Try Squares and T. Reels, dis 50 55
 Star Try Squares and Reels, dis 50 55
 Diston's Try Square, No. 1, dis 50 55
 No. 2, dis 50 55
 Improved, dis 50 55

Tacks.
 Full Weight American Iron, dis 50 55
 Half Weight American Iron, dis 50 55
 Carpet, dis 50 55
 Trade American Half Weight, dis 50 55
 Finishing Nails, dis 50 55
 Trunk and Clout, dis 50 55
 Copper Sacks, dis 50 55
 Iron shoe Nails, dis 50 55
 Double Pointed, dis 50 55

Tapes, Mensuring.
 American Flank and Cap Co., dis 50 55
 Edgely's, dis 50 55

Tea Trays.
 American Tea Tray Co., dis 50 55
 Thermometers, dis 50 55

Tin Cases.
 Tin Case, dis 50 55
 Wines, dis 50 55
 Tobacco Cutters, dis 50 55
 Enterprise Mfg. Co. (Champion), dis 50 55
 Wood Bottom, per doz \$1.00, dis 50 55
 All Iron, per doz \$1.00, dis 50 55

Timbers Tools and Machines.
 P. S. & W., dis 50 55
 Traps, dis 50 55
 Game, dis 50 55
 Peck, Stow & Wilcox, dis 50 55
 Hotchkiss, dis 50 55
 Blake's Patent, dis 50 55
 Mouset, dis 50 55
 Patent Choker (Union), dis 50 55
 Round, dis 50 55
 Square, dis 50 55
 Case, dis 50 55

Trowels.
 Lotrop's Brick and Plastering, dis 50 55
 Diston's Brick and Plastering, dis 50 55
 Rose's Brick and Plastering, dis 50 55
 Braden's Brick and Plastering, dis 50 55
 Wormal's Brick and Plastering, dis 50 55
 Garden, dis 50 55

Trunks.
 Butter and Cheese, dis 50 55
 Ventilators (Window), dis 50 55
 Nickel and Gilt, per dozen \$1.00, dis 50 55
 Vases, dis 50 55
 Trenton Vases, Solid Box, dis 50 55
 40 to 100 lbs, dis 50 55
 100 and over, dis 50 55
 Peter Wright, dis 50 55
 Wilson's Solid Box, dis 50 55
 30 to 100 lbs, dis 50 55
 100 and over, dis 50 55
 Wilson's Parallel, dis 50 55
 Sargent's, dis 50 55
 Backus & Union, Parallel, dis 50 55
 Buffalo, Parallel, dis 50 55
 Fisher & Norris' Double Screw Parallel, dis 50 55
 Trenton Parallel, dis 50 55
 Merrill's Parallel, dis 50 55
 Parker's, dis 50 55
 Stephens' Parallel, dis 50 55
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 Stearns' Saw Filers, dis 50 55

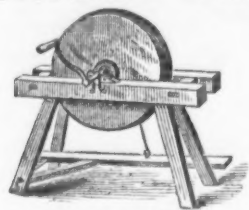
Well Wheels.
 Revised list, dis 50 55
 Brass and Copper, dis 50 55
 Bright and Annealed, dis 50 55
 Contoured, dis 50 55
 Galvanized, Nos. 10 to 15, dis 50 55
 Tinned, dis 50 55
 Cast Steel, dis 50 55
 Tinned Broom Wire, dis 50 55
 Galvanized Telegraph, Nos. 2 and 3, dis 50 55
 Galvanized Telegraph, Nos. 10 and 11, dis 50 55
 Annealed Fence, Nos. 3 and 4, dis 50 55
 Fence Staples, dis 50 55
 Stubs' Steel Wire, dis 50 55
 Judd's Fence, dis 50 55
 Clothes Line Wire, dis 50 55

Wrenches.
 American Adjustable, dis 50 55
 Baxter's Adjustable "S", dis 50 55
 Collins & Co., dis 50 55
 Coes' Genuine, dis 50 55
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 Tatt's Patent, dis 50 55
 Davis' Patent, dis 50 55
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 Wringers, dis 50 55
 Providence, dis 50 55
 Reliance, dis 50 55
 Universal, dis 50 55
 Novelty, dis 50 55
 Sherman, dis 50 55
 Wringers without Cog Wheel, dis 50 55

Tin Ware and Trimmings.
 STAMPED TIN WARE, dis 55
 COMMON STAMPED WARE, 40
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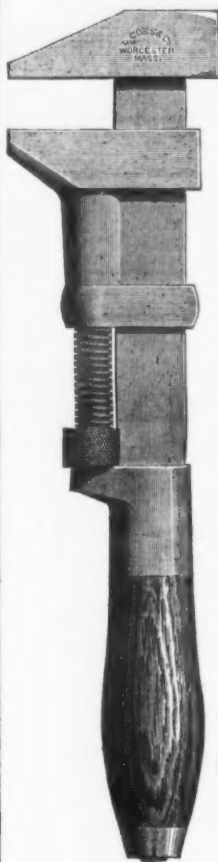
This Drop (which has been illustrated in this Journal) is of that class in which the Hammer is raised by a still belt or band passing between two friction rolls, and is so well known that we will only describe our improvements. The patent we are working under are those of Bennett Hotchkiss and N. C. Stiles, who in an interference case with Gooding and Cheney was declared the first inventor, and N. C. Stiles, our improvements consist:

First—Of an arrangement of parts that makes it the most complete Jobbing Hammer, and will take the place to a great extent, of all other kinds for forging. In addition to the upright rod, which is operated by the hammer to open and close the rolls, we place another rod the lower end of which is secured to the end of a lever which is operated by the hand or foot, which operation also opens and closes the rolls at will. The lower end of this rod has a slot, so that the action of the hammer will not disturb the hand lever, thereby preventing the hand being injured, as otherwise would be the case.

Second—No dog is used on the upright to hold up the hammer. The belt or band passes up between two clamps attached under the rolls, so arranged that as the hammer descends they will freely open of themselves, but as soon as they will close and hold up the hammer. To set the hammer fall the clamps are opened by pressure upon the foot treadle.

Third—The belt or band is secured to the hammer by an elastic connection, which prevents the sudden jar and destruction of the same. The back roll is made adjustable to different thicknesses of board or belt, as also are the clamps. An adjustable collar on the upright rod allows the operator to obtain any height of blow desired automatically. If one blow is wanted, press upon the treadle and remove the pressure as soon as the blow is given. Keep the foot upon the treadle and the blows will be repeated until the pressure is removed. If a blow of one height than the collar is set for is required, work the hand lever, which will give you any height of blow desired. The hammer can be held up at any point below the collar by bringing the hand lever into action when the hammer is in the desired height, so that the next blow can be given from a state of rest, or less height than the collar is set for. This is a feature by which drop hammers are distinguished from the ordinary drop hammer, that is the first blow struck can be of less height than the second or third, and obtained from a state of rest. A gentle pressure upon the treadle will allow the hammer to descend slowly, but it will stop and remain suspended at any point as soon as the pressure is removed.

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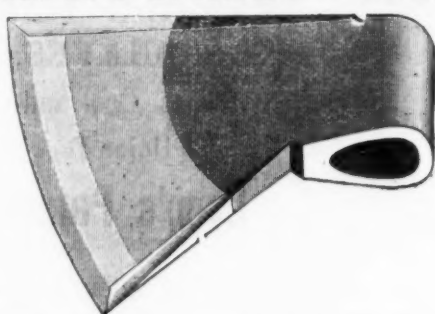
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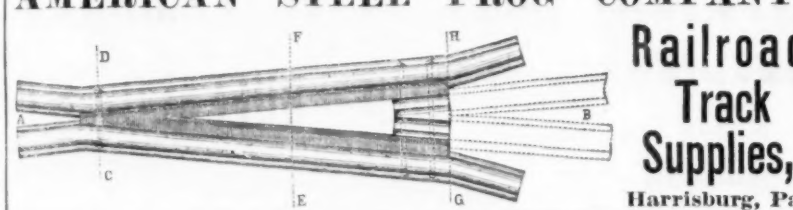
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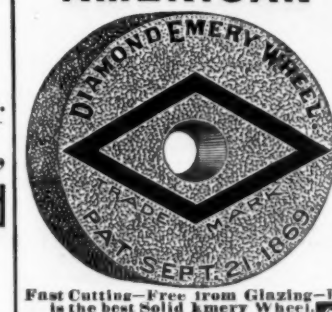


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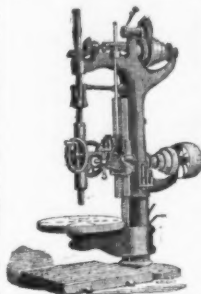
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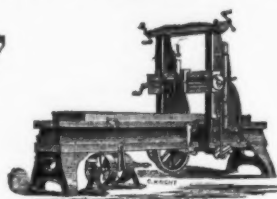
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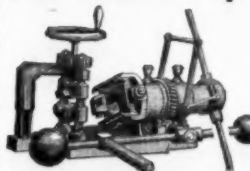
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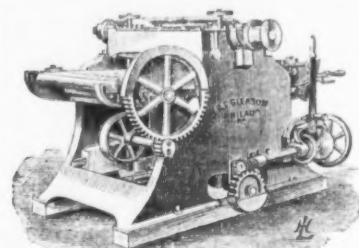
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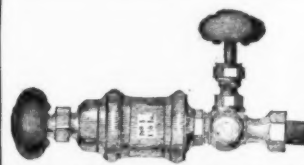
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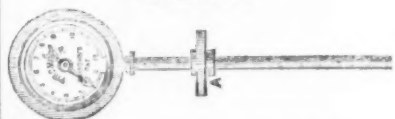
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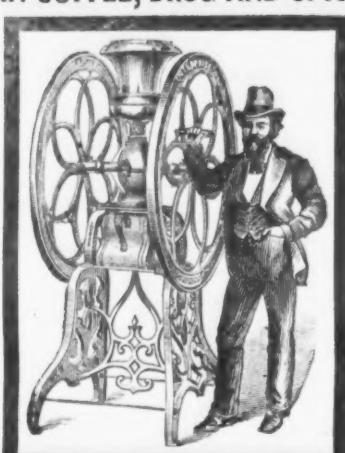
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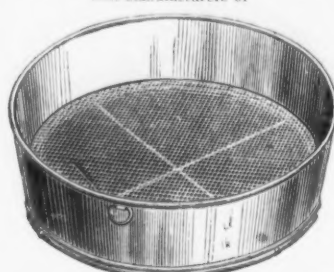
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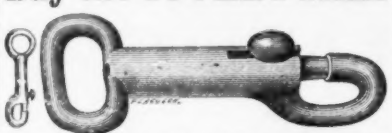
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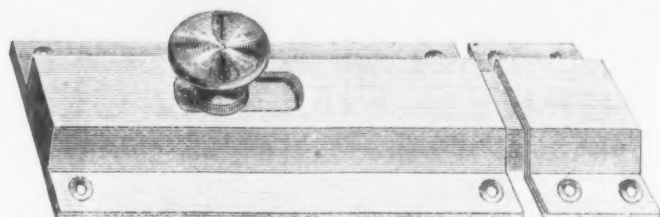
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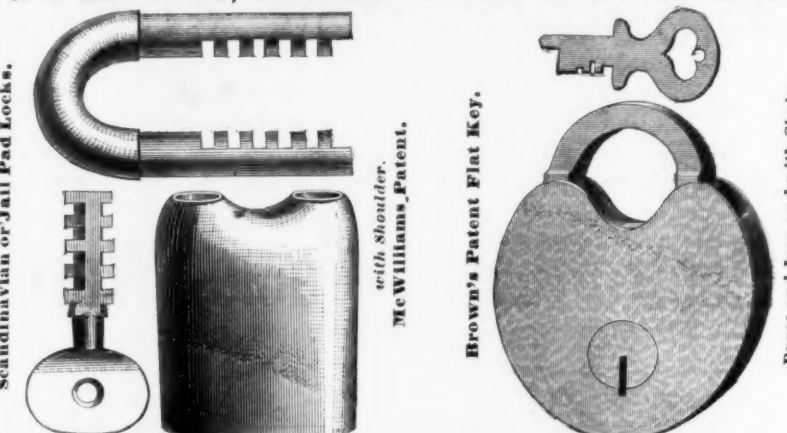
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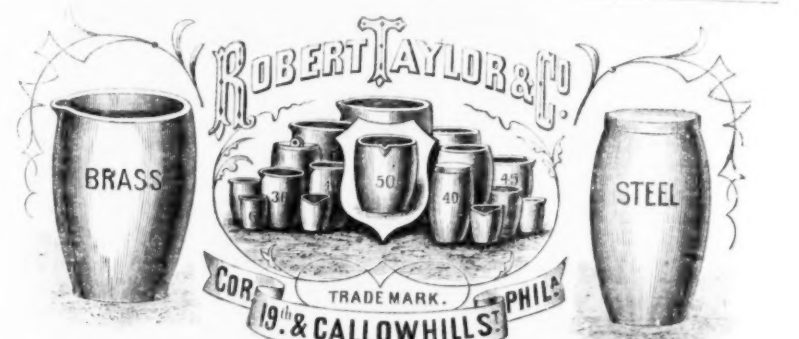
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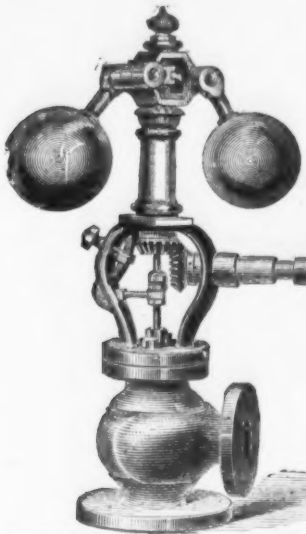
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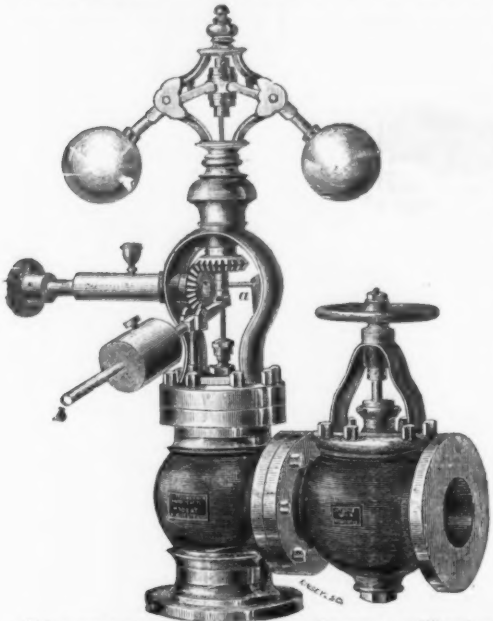
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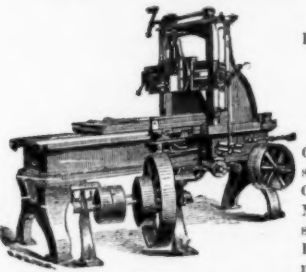
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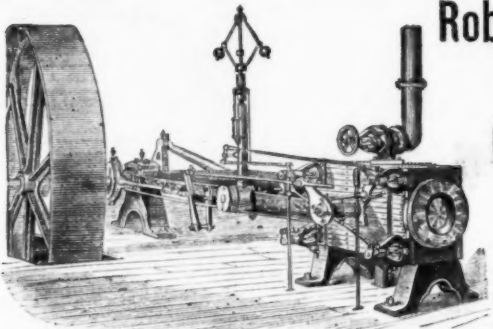
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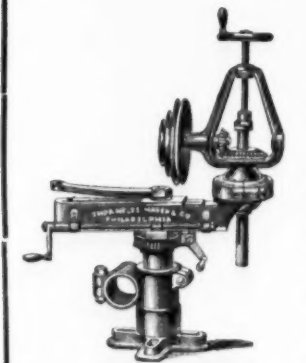
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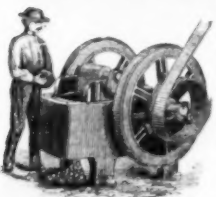
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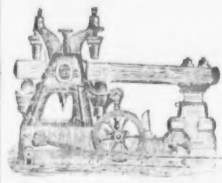
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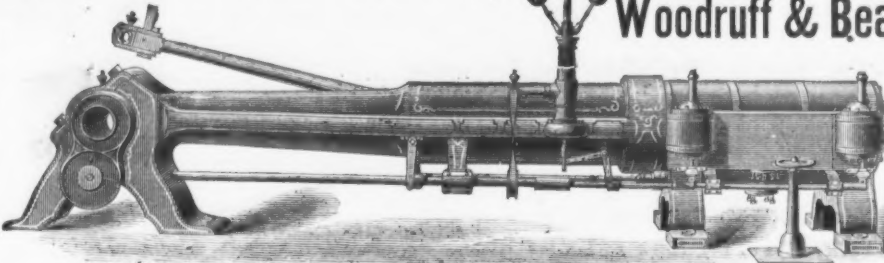
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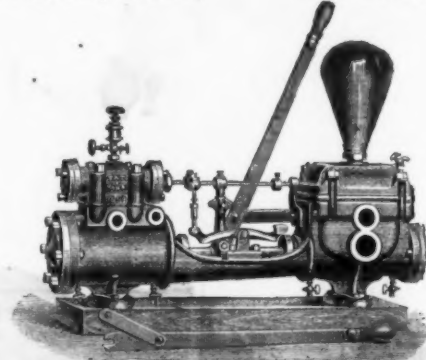
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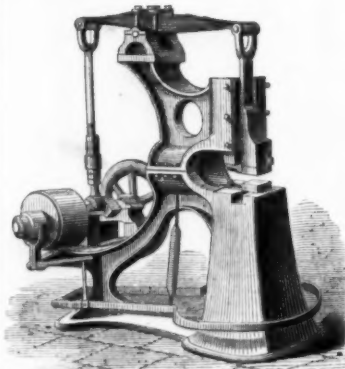
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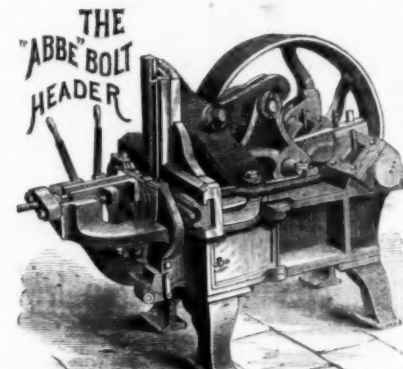
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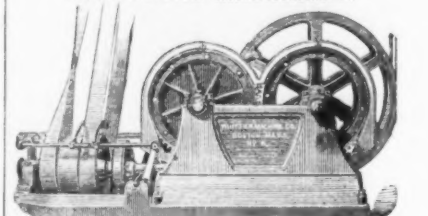
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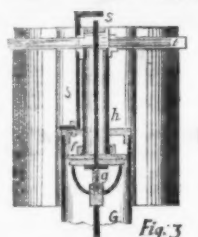
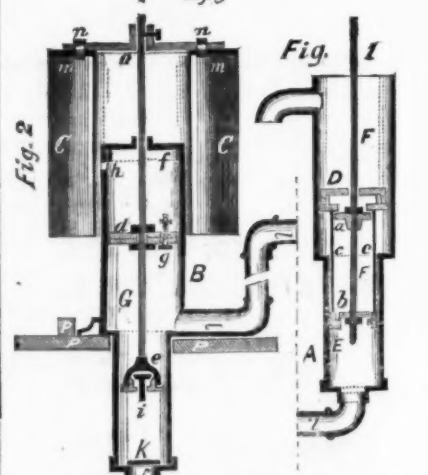


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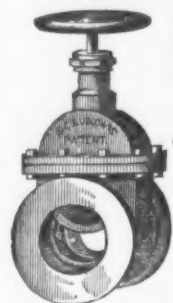
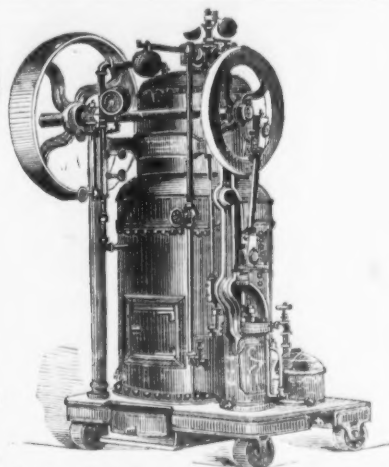
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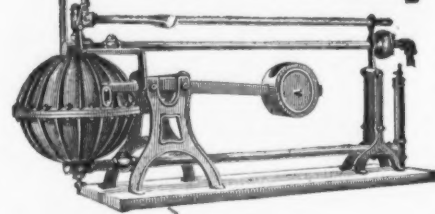
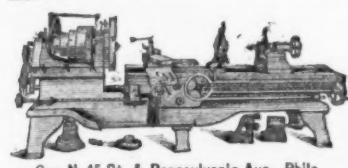
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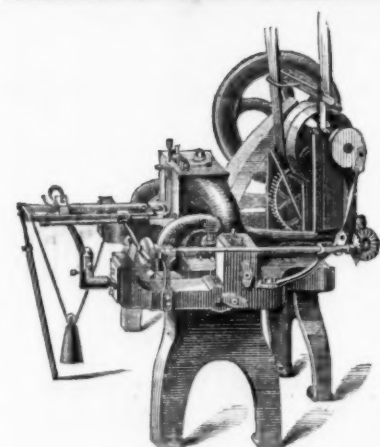
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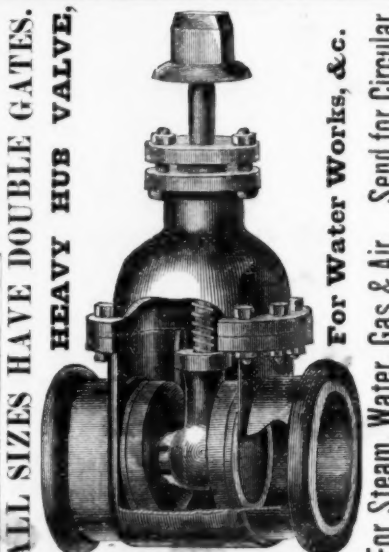
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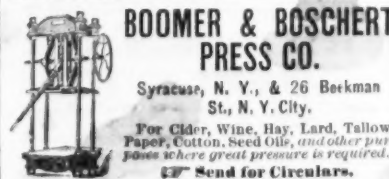
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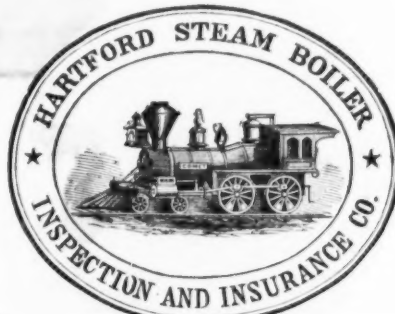
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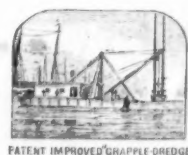
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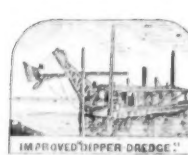
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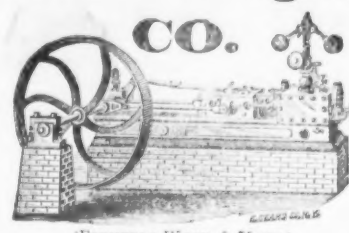
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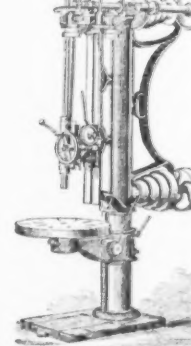
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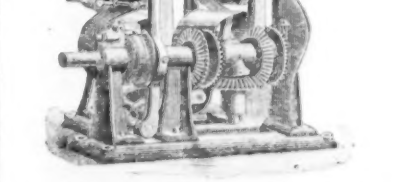
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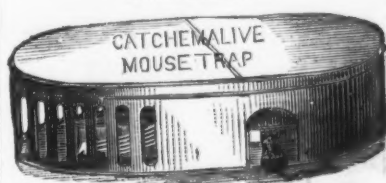
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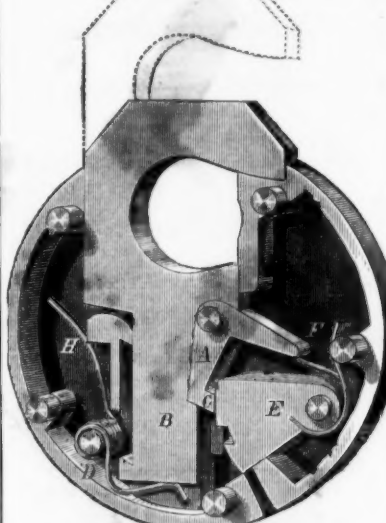
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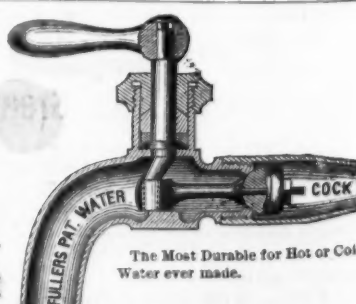
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